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Coop Receipts Total \$1,379,002 With One More Day For Collections

Mississippi Baptist Cooperative Program receipts for this Convention year through Tuesday (Baptist Record press day) had totaled \$1,379,002.74 with one more day, Wednesday, Nov. 3, left for recording gifts for this Convention year. It has been revealed by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary treasurer.

The Convention Board books were held open for three extra days this year in order for the growing number of churches that give on the percentage plan to get their October checks into the office.

The Cooperative program operating Budget of \$1,250,000 was reached early in October and the receipts from that point up to \$1,400,000 go for the capital needs Budget for five of the state institutions.

Next week's Baptist Record will carry the total offerings of the Convention year.

A Catechism Of Bible Teaching

By DR. JOHN A. BROADUS
Lesson XII. The Lord's Day

1. What does the word Sabbath mean? The word Sabbath means rest.

2. Why was the Sabbath at first appointed? The Sabbath was at first appointed to represent the rest of God after finishing the creation Gen. 2:3.

3. What says the fourth commandment given through Moses at Mount Sinai? Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. Ex. 20:8, 11.

4. What does this show? The fourth commandment shows that the children of Israel knew about the Sabbath, but were apt to neglect it.

5. When the Savior was charged with breaking the Sabbath, what did he teach about it? The Savior taught that it was not breaking the Sabbath to heal the sick, to provide food for the hungry, or to do any work of necessity or mercy. Matt. 12:3; Mark 3:4; Luke 13:15, 16.

6. What change was gradually made under the direction of the apostles as to the day to be observed? The day to be observed was changed from the seventh day to the first day of the week, the day on which the Lord Jesus

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CONVENTION ISSUE NEXT WEEK

Next week's Baptist Record will be a special State Convention issue, featuring the forthcoming annual session of the body, to meet Nov. 16-18 at Jackson's First Church.

Southern Baptists Now In Advance Mission Program

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BP— On October 25 a check for \$160,000 was sent from the Southern Baptist Convention's Executive Committee office in Nashville to Carver School of Missions and Social Work. This means that the 1954 Cooperative Program current operating expenses and capital needs goal of \$8,750,000 has been met and that Southern Baptists are now in the Advance Program or third phase of the budget. The goal was met nine days earlier this year than last, according to Porter Routh, executive secretary of the executive committee. A total of \$9,074,112 has been received to date in the Nashville office, an increase of \$971,756 over 1953, Routh said.

The first \$160,000 of the Ad-

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Personalities And Program To Feature State Convention

119th Session Set For First Church, Jackson, Nov. 16-18

Hear The Baptist Hour

The Baptist Hour speaker for November is Dr. Roy O. McClain, pastor, First Baptist Church, Atlanta. The theme for the quarter is "Christ in You the Hope of Glory." (Col. 1:27).

November sermon topics include "Doing It God's Way"; "A Good God And An Evil World"; "My Cup Runneth Over"; "God's Broken Heart".

Stations in Mississippi carrying the program each Sunday are:

WDOB, Canton, 5 p.m.; WGLC, Centerville, 1:30 p.m.; WCLD, Cleveland, 5 p.m.; WCJU, Columbia; WACR, Columbus, 2:30 p.m.; WFOR, Hattiesburg, 10:15 p.m.; WMBC, Macon, 2:30 p.m.; WAPF, McComb, 9 a.m.; WCOC, Meridian 4 p.m.; WPMP, Pascagoula, 4:30 p.m.; WRJW Picayune, 1 p.m.; and WELO, Tupelo.

Doctrinally Speaking: Grace In Regeneration

BY DR. W. LANDON MILLER

When Robert Morrison started to China as a missionary, an incredulous American said to him, "Mr. Morrison, do you think you can make any impression on the Chinese?"

"No," was the reply, "but I think the Lord can."

If a true spiritual impression is ever made on a nation or an individual, the Lord has to make it.

"Regeneration" means the new birth. "Grace in regeneration" means that God takes the initiative in our new birth.

Man, with all of his sin, does not have to crawl to God, cringing in fear, wondering if there is any hope for a sinner such as he. Instead our great God has taken upon himself to tell man that a way of escape is surely provided (John 3:16).

"Grace in regeneration" means that every phase of salvation starts with God. It is not his will that (Continued On Page Two)

JOEL SORENSON VISITS ASIA

Joel Sorenson, European youth leader and youth secretary for the Baptist World Alliance, arrived in Tokyo October 21 for a three-week tour of Baptist mission areas throughout Japan.

Visiting Asia for the first time, Dr. Sorenson comes at the urgent request of Baptist young people in Asia after initial invitations were made last year at the Fourth World Baptist Youth Conference in Rio de Janeiro.

Under the leadership of Akiko Endo Matsumura, youth secretary for the Japan Baptist Convention, the Baptist young people raised over \$150 for Dr. Sorenson's Asian tour. They are also paying more than half of his traveling expenses while in Japan.

Commenting on this co-operation within the Baptist World Alliance, Mrs. Matsumura said: "The increasing awareness of the world-embracing Baptist fellowship has also found effective expression in the contributions of the young Baptists in Italy, Denmark, Holland, and the United States to the travel fund of the youth secretary."

In addition to speaking to young Baptists in Japan's major cities, Dr. Sorenson will conduct youth conferences.

The program for the 119th session of the Mississippi Baptist Convention has been released by Rev. L. Gordon Sansing, Jackson, chairman of the Convention's Committee on order of business and the meeting will get underway at 9:30 Tuesday Nov. 16 with President John E. Barnes, Jr., Hattiesburg, in the chair.

Headlining the out-of-state program personalities will be Dr. J. W. Storer, pastor First Church, Tulsa, and president of the Southern Baptist Convention; Dr. W. A. Creswell, pastor First Church, Dallas; Dr. G. Kearnie Keegan, head Student Department, Sunday School Board, Nashville; Dr. J. Ralph Grant, pastor First Church, Lubbock, Texas and Dr. G. Earl Guinn, president of Louisiana College, Pineville.

Rev. W. L. Meadows, pastor First Church, Quitman, will preach the Convention sermon at the opening session Tuesday morning.

The president's address will also be a feature of the opening session. Reid Moore, music director of the host church, will be in charge of music, with Miss Hazle Chisholm, of the host church, at the organ.

The Convention will as usual hold three daily meetings, morning, afternoon and evening, closing on Thursday night with a giant Youth service in Jackson's City Auditorium with Dr. Keegan as the featured speaker.

All services will be held in the host church except the Youth night service.

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor of the host church, will be serving again this year as host pastor for the ninth straight year.

The Convention will be operating this year for the first time under its new Constitution, adopted last year.

Attendance this year is expected to be large, as it has been the past several years.

Reports will be the best ever, according to indications. Practically phase of the work will show gains over the past year.

Officers of the Convention in addition to Dr. Barnes are: First vice-president, Rev. Earl Edwards, Tutwiler; Second vice-president, Dr. W. R. Hunter, McComb, and recording secretary, Rev. George Gay, Ripley.

In addition to those mentioned above many outstanding state leaders and other out-of-state personalities will be on program.

The complete program will appear in next week's Record.

Feature Brotherhood Rally Speakers



DR. BAKER JAMES CAUTHEN DR. LUTHER JOE THOMPSON

Dr. Baker James Cauthen, (left above) executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, and Dr. Luther Joe Thompson, pastor of Calvary Church, Jackson, will be the featured speakers for the annual State Brotherhood Rally to be held at Jackson's First Church Monday, Nov. 15, the day prior to the State Convention.

The two men will both speak at the evening hour, along with a message by Miss Edwina Robinson, Jackson, state W. M. U. secretary, and special music by the Mississippi College choir under direction of Prof. E. N. Elsey.

"Standing Room Only" is expected to be the order for those who come late for this service to begin at 7 o'clock according to W. R. Roberts, Jackson, state Brotherhood secretary.

The Rally will get underway at 2:00 P. M. with the afternoon session adjourning at 4:15.

The afternoon session will be devoted to messages and conferences on every phase of Brotherhood and R. A. work.

Those having part will include: Mr. Roberts, Dr. Cauthen; Rev. Schuyler Batson, Bay St. Louis; Rev. Otis Seal, Itta Bena; Rev. Joel Ray, Jackson; Dr. W. J. Isbell, of Alabama.

At 5:00 P. M. a banquet will be held at Calvary Church with Rev. Gordon Sansing, Jackson, as toastmaster. Reservations must be made through Brotherhood Department.

Doctrinally Speaking;

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any should perish (2 Peter 3:9). He not only provides the way of salvation, but he also convicts of sin (John 16:8-11) and puts the desire for salvation in man's heart. Thus choosing salvation is different from choosing the best bargain at a sale. It is not merely turning over a new leaf. The decision for Christ is one where the Holy Spirit prompts us to action. Therefore, regeneration, or the new birth, is referred to as being "born of the spirit" (John 3:8).

Only the One who gave life at the beginning can give fallen men the new birth and spiritual life necessary to do God's will. For to do God's will requires a new spiritual nature which comes by being born from above (John 3:3).

We can thank our God that he is interested enough in us to provide salvation for us and that he extends his grace that we might be born again.

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A Catechism Of

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rose from the dead. John 20:1, 19, 26.

7. What is this day called? The first day of the week is called the Lord's Day. Rev. 1:10.

8. What do we find the first Christians doing on the Lord's Day? They met for public worship, heard preaching, too the Lord's Supper, and gave money for religious objects. 1 Cor. 16:2; Acts 20:7.

9. Ought we to keep the Lord's Day as the Sabbath? Yes, we ought to keep the Lord's Day as a day of rest and holy employments.

10. Ought we to keep the Lord's day as the first Christians did? Yes, we ought to keep the Lord's Day as a day for public worship, with Bible study and preaching, for religious gifts and ordinances, and for doing good in every way.

ADVANCED QUESTIONS

(a) Does the New Testament say that the Sabbath was changed to the first day of the week? No, the New Testament speaks of religious exercises on the first day of the week as something that everybody understood. 1 Cor. 16:1-2; Acts 20:7; Rev. 1:10.

(b) What explanation have we of these statements? Several Christian writers just after the apostles speak of worship on the first day of the week in such language as to show plainly what the New Testament references meant.

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BAPTIST HOSPITAL PLANS REL. EMPHASIS WEEK NOV. 8-12**DR. WILLIAM HENRY CROUCH**

Religious Emphasis Week will be held by the Mississippi Baptist Hospital's Gilfoy School of Nursing November 8-12. Dr. William Henry Crouch, pastor of Northside Church, Jackson, will speak each evening at 6 o'clock. Rev. Felix Snipes will lead the singing and serve as soloist. Special music will be presented by the Young Ladies Quartet at the hospital.

Plans for the revival are under the supervision of the Chaplain, Rev. J. B. Baker.

The Emphasis Week will be of great benefit to the entire student body, particularly to the new standards. Hospital personnel and other visitors are especially invited to attend the meeting.

This is the first Emphasis Week to be held in the fall and is in addition to the Emphasis Week held each spring.

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Southern Baptists

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vance Program was sent to Carver School of Missions and Social Work, Louisville, Ky., in accordance with the action of the 1952 Miami Convention, made in agreement with the Foreign Mission Board and Home Mission Board. The remainder of the third phase will be divided 75 per cent to the Foreign Mission Board and 25 per cent to the Home Mission Board.

Advance funds will run over \$1,700,000 and total receipts will exceed \$10,000,000 Routh added.

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Tallahatchie Co. Assoc. Has Good Meeting

The Tallahatchie County Association held its 34th annual meeting October 15 with the Corinth church near Charleston. Plans were made to have an associational missionary in the county by January 1.

The following officers were elected:

Moderator, Dr. J. S. Riser, Jr. Webb; Vice-moderator, H. E. Shook, Paynes; Clerk, Rev. J. R. Nanney, Jr., Sumner; Treasurer, Mr. A. J. Cole, Webb.

The officers in addition to these make up the Executive Committee: Rev. M. S. Riley, Philipp; Austin Neely, Charleston; J. W. Kellum, Tutwiler; Mrs. M. H. James, Sumner.

Dr. Landrum Leavell of Charleston is the member of the State Convention board from the Association.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

(Editor's Note: The following resolution is suggested for consideration at the coming Mississippi Baptist Convention to meet at First Church, Jackson, November 16-18).

Whereas, Baptist churches, modeled after the New Testament pattern, are independent, self-governing bodies; and

Whereas, Baptist associations and Conventions, composed of duly elected messengers from Baptist churches, are also independent, self-governing bodies; and,

Whereas, neither has the right nor would attempt to assume such right, to interfere in the making or execution of the policies of either of the others; and,

Whereas, Baptist churches and Baptist Associations have through the centuries rightfully adhered to the practice of adopting Articles of Faith for the purpose of promoting a conformity of doctrines and practices according to the teachings of the Scriptures, thus "endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace"; and,

Whereas, there is a growing tendency in recent years among the churches and associations, which cooperate with the Mississippi Baptist Convention to neglect to adopt Articles of Faith and to require newly organized churches to subscribe to Articles of Faith when applying for membership in the associations; and,

Whereas, the Mississippi Baptist Convention is composed of duly elected messengers from the churches, and is not accustomed to hold any doctrinal barriers for membership in the convention, save that they be members of "regular Baptist churches in Mississippi in harmony and cooperation with the purposes and actions of the convention";

Therefore, Be It Resolved:

First, that the Mississippi Baptist Convention notes with deep concern the laxity mentioned above among some of the churches and associations;

Second, that this convention admonishes the cooperating churches and associations to adhere strictly to the time honored practice of our Baptist Fathers in regard to the use of Articles of Faith;

Third, that a committee of seven be appointed from among the messengers of the convention to take under consideration the advisability of this body's framing and abbreviated Articles of Faith, based on the New Hampshire Confession of Faith, for distribution as a model to be used in this regard, and report back to the convention in its 1955 session.

J. L. BOYD,
Clinton, Miss.

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KREOLE HOLDS REVIVAL, CALLS MUSIC DIRECTOR

In the recent revival at the Kreole Church there were 23 additions, 20 of them for baptism, and 26 re-dedications. Rev. Earl C. Edwards of Tutwiler was the evangelist and W. B. Johnson of Pascagoula served as music director.

The church has called Mr. Johnson as Music Director.

Rev. Melvin T. Wilson is the pastor.

Mt. Olive Church Showing Progress

A Stewardship Emphasis Revival is being planned by First Church, Mount Olive for November 7-14. Rev. A. S. Johnston, a former pastor, will do the preaching and David Larrimore of William Carey College will direct the singing.

One feature as preparation for the meeting is a church-wide banquet on night of Nov. 5 where awards won at all study courses will be given out and proper honors mentioned by pastor C. O. Estes. The guest speaker for the banquet will be Mr. Kermit King, Jackson, secretary of the State Training Union Department.

According to a report by Dr. C. L. Quarles to the Covington Association, October 22, the church led the association in per

Pine Grove Church Has Revival Meeting

The Revival meeting at Pine Grove Church, Pearl River Association was held with Rev. O. W. Nix, pastor of Calvary Church, Monroe, La. as the evangelist.

Eugene Smith of Baton Rouge was the song leader. There were six for baptism, one by letter and eight surrendered lives. The pastor is the Rev. Olin Q. Harmon.

capita giving to all mission causes during the current year. The per capita amount was \$8.62.

In addition to this progress, property for expansion adjacent to the church building and pastor's home was purchased at a cost of \$3,000 and about \$1,200 of improvement was done on the church building.

Would you save this CHILD?

IF YOU SAW THIS CHILD, would you pick him up and save him as Bill Asbury, CCF representative, did in Korea a few weeks ago? We are sure you would not "pass by on the other side" to leave him die. He is now in a CCF orphanage being decently cared for. He is there with other children—children like the baby whose mother brought him to the superintendent, saying she could not find work and could not care for her baby. The baby was accepted and the mother started away and then fell. When the superintendent reached her, she was dead—of starvation. Some CCF orphanage children were pulled apart from the arms of their mothers—the children just faintly alive, their mothers dead.

Bill Asbury is making no complaint about the dirt and discomfort connected with his job or even about the vermin, far more alive on such a child than the child himself. But he is heavy hearted over the many children he can't save for lack of funds.

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State Convention Soon

The most important meeting to Mississippi Baptists — the State Convention — is just around the corner Nov. 16-18.

Every church member is urged to look forward to this meeting and every church is urged to send its allotted number of messengers.

Every meeting of the Convention is important and this one will be no exception.

The committee on order of business has arranged a fine, well-balanced program, a good group of speakers has been secured, reports stand to be encouraging and a constructive Convention is in prospect.

All our great program of mission work revolves around our Convention and is projected by our convention, therefore our people should give earnest heed to the meetings of the body.

The Convention is composed of the messengers from the churches who should come, take seriously the work and proceedings of the organization and then return and make reports to the churches.

Next week's issue of the Baptist Record will be a 16-page issue devoted to the Convention. Watch for it and read it.

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A Good Investment

May we ask you two pointed questions: First, do you like to make a good investment—one that will pay good dividends? Of course you do. We are continually looking for such an investment and when we find one we do our best to capitalize upon it.

Now, a second question: Do you think your church should capitalize on a good investment? You do! Then, let me suggest one to you. Why not send your pastor to the Baptist World Alliance next year? From every standpoint it will be a good investment for your church and prove to be an asset to the work of the Lord. You and the other laymen of your church could, without too much sacrifice, send your pastor on such a journey.

Business men have found it most profitable to send their key men to trade conferences and conventions. There they mingle with men of like minds and similar trades. They pick up new ideas, gain new information and inspiration, and return to their task with renewed vigor and knowledge.

The same principle can be transferred to the work of our pastors. They, too, get to the place where they need new ideas and additional helps. Often a visit by the pastor to other fields will produce untold results in helping him to serve at his maximum. Invariably, he returns from such a journey with

fire and determination. He is inspired and encouraged and carries on in his God-called capacity in a much more effectual manner. It is under such dynamic leadership that the church assumes its rightful place in community life and serves "as a light set on a hill" to bless humanity.

Preparations should be made now for transportation and accommodations for the Baptist World Alliance which is to be held in London during July, 1955. Let us as laymen be helpful and progressive to the end that these spiritual leaders—our pastors—may, at least, have the opportunities which we as business men give to those who direct our earthly affairs. Let us capitalize on this opportunity of making a good investment for our Lord and His work. Let us send our pastors to the Baptist World Alliance next year.

Of course we can do it! Try it in your church and see.

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A Good Suggestion

Below we offer two suggestions to churches and finance committees as they prepare their new budgets.

We suggest in the first place that every church should provide the pastor with a car fund. Many Mississippi churches are now doing this. Some churches are even providing as much as \$100 per month for the pastor's car expense. No pastor can run a car without expense and the gasoline is the smallest part of the expense. He uses his car about 9-10ths of the time on church business. And so far as we know, pastors are the only ones who are required to furnish cars without any compensation. Business houses either furnish a car for their employees or pay them by the mile for all travelling done on company business. Churches should do as well.

The second suggestion is that

books are tools for a preacher. Every church should provide a fund for the purchase of books. Any preacher who does not read books and many of them, will soon go stale. His preaching will become dry and the people become disinterested and also dissatisfied. The same thing is true about books that is true of cars. Business houses furnish the tools for their employees. Churches should do the same thing. We suggest that quarter-time churches should allow at least \$25, half-time churches, \$50, and full-time churches \$100 or more for the pastor's book fund.

Baptists may now give more, and churches and charitable institutions may now receive more (we hope) under the provisions of the new tax law which Congress recently passed.

The exemption granted to individuals for charitable gifts is raised from 20 per cent to 30 per cent, provided at least 10 per cent is given to churches, schools and hospitals.

This means that you can give an additional 10 per cent of your income to religious and charitable causes and deduct as much as 30 per cent as gifts.

Here is an opportunity for many to give more at less cost.

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Our Readers Write

A PREGNANT SENTENCE

When I come across something in my reading that seems to me especially good, I have an ardent desire to pass it on to my friends. In my quiet hour this morning I found such a sentence and am taking the liberty of following my impulse. The sentence is in Dr. E. Stanley Jones' *Growing Spiritually*, page 270. The author is speaking of how the Apostle used his prison experience to further his life's mission — making Christ known to his fellow men. Note a curtailment of his personal liberty was hard, but it was harder still to be shut off from the opportunity of preaching his

beloved good news. But as we look back we can see that God was allowing the good to be taken away in order that the better might come. Paul's letters, mostly written from jail, have enriched the world for ages and will do so in the ages to come. But they could never have been except in jail." Then follows what I am calling A Pregnant Sentence, viz., this: "He dipped his pen into the blood of his sufferings and wrote words that are deathless." (Italics are mine) If I have read a more vital or vitalizing sentence than that I can't recall it at present. Following this sentence, Dr. Jones goes on to say, "Through long days and nights of pondering upon Jesus, his thoughts crystallized into immortal phrases through which men have looked into the heart of the redeeming God. And there the universal Christ grew upon him, and in piercing words he broke the remaining Jewish bonds that fettered the gospel and made it free to roam the earth, untrammelled."

W. R. CULLOM

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EXCUSES FOR RUNNING OFF PASTORS

By REV. R. F. HALLIFORD

While talking, some time ago, with an experienced, intelligent, highly-respected preacher about the conditions of our churches and the growing difficulties involved in the Gospel ministry, I heard him make the statement: "There is a war being made on preachers." This becomes increasingly and painfully obvious. The attitude of belligerence against the ministry shows itself in many ways, but especially in running off pastors from their place of service and means of livelihood, or in making conditions for them and their families so unpleasant as to block all their efforts and make their continued residence and work there practically unbearable. In fact, this practice of "putting on the pressure," and getting rid of pastors has become so prevalent that most of us recognize quite readily the truth of the statement made by another: "The practice of running off pastors has assumed the proportions of an 'indoor sport' with many churches."

Why this rapidly-increasing and prevalent practice of running off pastors? We grant that, occasionally, there is good reason for it, and that some preachers, like some people in other types of work, richly deserve to be run off; however, common sense investigation will show that, in the majority of cases, mere excuses are used for a bad practice which is rapidly becoming worse. What are some of these excuses? We list some of the more prevalent ones.

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GINTER PARK CHURCH OPERATES DUAL PROGRAM

BY REV. T. RUPERT COLEMAN

For years I have been burdened by the inadequate space in our churches to reach the potentials; by the increasing cost for larger church buildings required for Southern Baptists' growth; by the very small proportion of the local offering dollar given to missions; and by the desperate need for the Mission Causes, especially the Foreign, to advance.

Our building had reached its saturation point in both the sanctuary and Sunday school building. The school had adequate space for a complete departmental Sunday school. Every department had excellent facilities and space for its proportion of the total attendance in a school of about 1200 enrolment. A school beyond that was impossible—the saturation was reached—and the enrolment ceased to increase. The conventional method was to enlarge the building.

Thank God He led us with a vision which has been wonderfully successful. The concept of using the entire church plant twice each Sunday morning was proposed. Thorough promotion, education and explanation were given as we studied carefully the idea and analyzed all implications. The result is the following Sunday morning schedule:

Sunday school 8:30-9:35
Sunday school and worship,
simultaneously 9:50-10:55
and Worship 11:10-12:10

Fifteen minutes are given between each period for clearing and refilling the building, choirs to assemble, and the minister to give attention such calls and pressing matters as cannot be delayed.

All members were given the privilege of choosing the schedule they preferred. Promotional efforts were made to lead families to attend together. This is vital. The family should come to Sunday school and worship together.

The Sunday school was reorganized with the same departments and classes offered in both the first and second periods as had before been held in the one session.

We emphasized the fact that we would have only ONE Sunday School—two periods. Groups were not divided—but they multiplied—

a law of life—which has had good psychological effect.

We continued with one general superintendent, one superintendent for every department. These are responsible for the general work of the respective departments. Two operating general superintendents, and two operating superintendents for every department were enlisted. These were enlisted for the respective period according to a questionnaire which indicated the period of school they expected to attend. Every class had a separate teacher. Such is the general organization.

On the first Sunday of the reorganization with two periods everything functioned much more harmoniously than any had anticipated. No problem has arisen but what a very happy solution has been discovered.

The people have accepted the program with remarkable happiness. The first five Sundays the Sunday school attendance averaged 106 over the attendance for the corresponding Sunday of the previous year, and the worship attendance was 111 over the previous year. The offerings showed a 10 per cent increase. For twenty-two Sundays, since the reorganization took place until this date, the average attendance has been more than a 10 per cent increase over the previous year.

It is needless to point out the fact that our building now has capacity for a growth of 100 per cent over what it had a year ago. Multiple groups have put about 60 per cent more people to work and the future is full of possibilities. The people have accepted the reorganization with a unity and a spirit of happiness which have not been excelled in any innovation during my twenty years of ministry in this church.

The most wonderful factor of the entire project, in our thinking, is that "would-be building fund dollars" are now released for gifts to missions.

This is, indeed, we believe God-inspired, and we hope it can be one important and widely practiced solution to Southern Baptists' need for more church space and equipment as we continue to enlist

A DECADE OF DOINGS



REV. HENRY J. BENNETT

Sunday, November 7, will be observed as anniversary day for the Byram Church. This will mark the completion of the tenth year for the Pastor, Henry J. Bennett.

In 1944 when the Church called Mr. Bennett as pastor, there was a Sunday School enrollment of thirty and a Training Union enrollment of twenty. The Church has made splendid progress for the past ten years. The Sunday School now has an enrollment above 300 and a Training Union enrollment of 180. During the past ten years the Church has received 668 members, 260 by baptism, 368 by letter.

The church has made financial progress. A new church site, of eight acres, was purchased in 1946. A new brick auditorium was completed and paid for in 1948, with a seating capacity of 500. A new church bus was purchased in 1950. In 1953, a second unit of the four-unit plan church was completed.

The Church not only made progress itself, but provided time and support for the pastor to attend four years in Mississippi College, and four years in the New Orleans Seminary, as well as permitted him a two months leave of absence to travel in many of the Biblical Countries.

The Church has a well graded and organized church program and expects even greater things the next ten years.

the thousands for Christ through our Sunday schools and churches. We commend it without any reservations.

BETHEL, RANKIN HOLDS REVIVAL

Bethel Church, Rankin County, held revival services October 24-29. Rev. Curtis McGee, Lena, was the visiting evangelist. Houston, Inmon, Mississippi College, led the singing. Dr. W. R. Cooper, Jackson, is the pastor.

There were 15 rededications and two who came for baptism.

Calvary, Waynesboro Enlarges Its Program

On Sunday, October 3, the Calvary Church, of Waynesboro, Rev. Tracy B. Barnett, pastor, increased its Sunday School staff of officers and teachers by 100 per cent and increased from six departments with eighteen classes to twelve departments with thirty-six classes and also organized an Extension Department and a Cradle Roll Department. In the first four Sundays of October, they have seen an increase in Sunday School attendance of more than 40 per cent.

During these same four weeks there have been eight additions to the church membership, five of these by baptism. Along with this increase in average attendance is a corresponding increase in finances and in the other phases of church life and work.

The church held its Stewardship Revival, Oct. 31-Nov. 7. Rev. Robert W. Martin, pastor of First Church, Batesville was the guest speaker. During this revival the church used the Tithers Enlistment Visitation Program to add to the one hundred members who are now Tithers.

A Baton Rouge Baptist Church is in need of an educational secretary. Anyone wishing information about this position should write the Baptist Record and ask for information about the Baton Rouge situation. Be certain to use the words Baton Rouge, as we have other requests.

According to Curtis G. Benjamin, president of McGraw-Hill Book Company, New York, Americans spend approximately twice as much on dog food as on books.

Dr. Benjamin C. Land Noted Evangelist Dies

Final rites for Dr. Benjamin C. Land, Sr., 61, noted Southern Baptist Stewardship Evangelist of Jackson, were recently conducted from Calvary Church, Jackson. Dr. Luther Joe Thompson, pastor officiated assisted by Rev. J. A. Barnhill, pastor of Temple Baptist Church, Jackson, and Rev. W. L. Holcomb, of Winnfield, La. He died suddenly in his room at the Ward Hotel, in Fort Smith, Ark., where he was conducting a Stewardship revival in the Van Buren First Baptist Church. He had begun the revival after completing a meeting at the Kings Highway Church in St. Louis, Mo.

Dr. Land was a native of Lodi, and had been a successful pastor for many years in Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas and Florida. He had lived in Jackson since 1945, and was a member of the Calvary Church.

He was a graduate of Clark Memorial College at Newton, and Miss. College at Clinton. He was also a graduate of Union University (Baptist), Jackson, Tennessee and a holder of the degrees of Bachelor of Theology, Master of Theology, and Doctor of Theology from the New Orleans Seminary.

In addition to his work in the field of stewardship promotion, he had authored several books. Among them, "Florida a Mission Field", "Baptists at Work in Alabama", "The Unified Budget System of Church Finance" and "God's Financial Plan." He had served as stewardship director for the Alabama and Florida Baptist boards, was former executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist foundation, and served as chaplain in the armed forces during WWI.

His survivors include his wife, of Jackson; one son, B. C. Land, Jr., of Kansas City, Mo.; two daughters, Mrs. A. W. Julich, of Memphis, and Miss Ruth Land, also of Jackson; four grandchildren; one brother, W. S. Land, of Marion, Ky.; and one sister, Mrs. J. A. Pyron, of Lodi.

Our Readers Write

(Continued From Page Three)
lent ones, and largely in the historical order in which they have been used:

First, "He doesn't practice what he preaches." There have been a comparatively few isolated cases in which this was true. However, we dare say that most people in the present day, preachers and others, have been forced to the conclusion that a man must be, first of all, a Christian gentleman, and then a preacher of the Gospel, in order to get anywhere. Usually, this accusation springs from the wicked source of the wish being father to the thought. The isolated case is made to appear as the regular. The exception to the rule is made to appear as the rule itself. Such a situation is unfair, and more and more people are coming to discredit the usually unfounded claim.

Second, "He won't pay his bills." This excuse was used more in the past than in the present. The explanation for it was this: sometimes the pastor could not pay his bills because his congregation would not pay him, thereby mak-

ing the fault theirs, not his. In general, churches treat their pastors better now than formerly, by paying them a regular salary, thereby making it possible for them to pay their obligations.

Third, "He's involved in woman trouble." Until comparatively recent years this was considered the "star accusation" against a preacher—the report that he was too friendly with the ladies, or had become involved in immoral relations or marital difficulties. Like men in other walks of life, some preachers did become involved in this manner, and they richly deserved criticism and censure. However, in too many cases, the accusation sprang from nothing more or less than gossip, insinuation, implication, and deliberate desire and intention to discredit the victim and his ministry. Some of us have even known of cases in which wicked, designing church members who wanted to find some excuse to get rid of a pastor, went to the dastardly lengths of bribing unscrupulous women into helping them "frame" an unsuspecting man!

Fourth, "The church is 'going down'

under his leadership." This may be true, or it may simply be imagination, as we have known in some cases. Too, the church may be "going down," not under the present pastor's leadership, but under the non-cooperative, fault-finding, feet-dragging refusal of some of the leaders to be led by him! If the church is going down financially, it may be due, not to the pastor's poor leadership, but to the refusal of the members to bring in their tithes and offerings. If it is going down in attendance, the fault may not be that of the pastor, but of the members who deliberately stay away and use their influence to keep others away. If the church is going down in the matter of conversions and additions, need we be surprised, when numbers of its members are chilling the atmosphere and discouraging people from joining it by their attitudes, slurs and hindrances?

Fifth, "He's just not 'at himself'." You have heard this excuse, haven't you? Those who use it wish to appear so innocent, noble and concerned about

the welfare of the church. They express themselves like this: "He's a good man and a fine preacher, and I have absolutely nothing against him; but he simply is not 'at himself' mentally—and we cannot afford to keep him as pastor. I am sorry for him, but you understand our position, I am sure." You see, this leaves his critics and opponents apparently in the clear—as if no one were really to blame in the matter—and at the same time gives them the desired excuse to get rid of an undesired pastor.

In the midst of this rapidly-growing practice, it is well to remind ourselves of some very significant statements and warnings from God's word:

"Man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart" (I Sam. 16:7b); "Touch not Mine anointed, and do My prophets no harm" (Psa. 105:15); "And we beseech you, brethren, to know them who labor among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you; And to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake" (I Thess. 5:12-13).

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Foreign Mission Week of Prayer

November 29-December 3

Theme for the Program:

"O Come, Let Us Adore Him"

The program material has been sent to each president and counselor—included was an envelope for each member (let us know if you need additional ones). We hope that each person will face the world's need and the Christ who died to meet the need of each person and will pray and give to the end that many will come to know the Christ of Christmas.

Dear Friend of Missions,

What is a Christmas gift?

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LIFE of some young person as your gift influences him to Christian service. You may change the lives of hundreds of soul-hungry people in a far land, as that young person goes to minister to them. Pray and give worthy gifts this Christmas.

Sincerely,
Editorial Staff of WMU

FIVE Y.W.A. CITATIONS PRESENTED

Evansville Baptist Church, Tate Association, was the scene of a Y. W. A. CITATION Presentation on Sunday night, October 17. Five young women were recognized for the completion of 5 missionary

projects, under the capable direction of the Y.W.A. Counselor, Mrs. Lee Hensley.

The five girls were: Misses Connie Sue Darby, Juanita Hensley, Mary Katherine Redd, Loretta Madge Darby, and Mary Jane Carlisle. Citations were presented by Miss Nell Taylor, Young People's Secretary for Mississippi W.M.U. Following the sermon by Pastor Grubbs, two of these five dedicated their lives for special Christian service.

G.A. CORONATION SERVICE

Mrs. Athens McNeil, Int. G.A. Counselor, reports a Coronation Service in Irene Chapel Baptist Church recently, in which 13 G.A.'s received recognition for one of the Forward Steps in the organization. The Step of QUEEN was attained by Misses Vera Thomas and Rachel Lee; the other 11 were Maidens, Ladies-in-Waiting, and Princesses.

Y.W.A. HOUSEPARTY AT BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

November 19-21 is the week-end for the Y.W.A. Houseparty for NORTHERN MISSISSIPPI (Districts 2, 3, 4, and 5). All young women between the ages of 16 and 25 are urged to come to Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain, Mississippi, from Friday afternoon until Sunday after lunch. The total cost is \$5.50; those planning to attend should register at state W.M.U. Office by sending \$1.00 to Box 530, Jackson, Miss.

Missionaries, nationals, state leaders, campus personalities... all these and others will combine their efforts and talents to make this a truly great MISSIONS meeting.

The 1955 Evangelistic Crusade

By B. H. DUNCAN

Southern Baptists are planning the most ambitious evangelistic crusade they have ever undertaken in 1955.

The crusade will depend upon the degree of cooperation of Southern Baptist pastors and churches. It could hardly be expected that the more than 20,000 Southern Baptist churches will participate in the crusade, and yet we have a right to expect that only a small per cent of these churches will fail to cooperate. It staggers the imagination to think that 20 - odd-thousand churches will be engaged in a serious effort to win the lost to Christ during the last days of March and up to the 24th of April in 1955. What this can mean to the denomination and to the cause of our Lord only eternity will tell.

ADVANCE PREPARATION

The success of the crusade will depend on the advance preparation. This preparation will include organization set up well in advance for visitation and publicity. The church should know who the possibilities are and where they are. Until they have this information, they are not prepared to reach the possibilities for evangelism and church membership. It requires work to get the information and more work to use the information effectively.

However, our churches should not become so absorbed in the details of organization and publicity and other mechanical devices that they forget the most essential preparation of all—prayer. It requires time to pray. We mean by that long period of time. That is the reason the promotion of the crusade is beginning months in advance of the dates actually set for the crusade. If this evangelistic effort could become an obsession of the soul of our Southern Baptist people for months in advance of the actual dates, and if that obsession would lead them to pray, would possess their souls that they could not help praying, there is no telling what would happen during the 1955 crusade. We cannot wait, we must not wait until March 27 to begin praying for this crusade. If we do, we shall be disappointed and wonder why our prayers have not been answered. We must first pray ourselves into unison with God and see this crusade from His point of view. It will require considerable time, perhaps many months of prayer to clear our lives, our souls, our minds of the debris of the world by which our lives are cluttered, and so make a larger place in our lives, in our thoughts, in our activities for God and His cause.

We shall realize the full benefits of the evangelistic crusade only to the extent that we prepare for the enlistment of the new members in active participation in the life of the churches. Too often we have allowed new members to drift until they become cold and indifferent before we seek to enlist them in the organizations and activities of the churches. Every organization of the church should participate in the preparation for the crusade and in the enlistment of the new members.

HELP WANTED

Securing evangelistic help and song leaders for the crusade is go-

ing to be quite a problem. It will be necessary for many pastors to preach in their own revival meeting and use local help exclusively. However, this may not prove to be a handicap but a blessing. Why should not the pastor and his people conduct their own meeting? It might be a refreshing experience both for pastor and church. Too often we expect the visiting evangelist to bring the revival with him. We may not have a very clear idea just how he is to do that, but somehow we have a vague idea that the man coming to preach during the revival will somehow bring it about that God will pour out His blessings, that souls will be saved and that the church will be revived. Ordinarily it doesn't happen that way. The visiting evangelist can no more bring a revival to a church than he can bring rain to the parched earth. The church itself must be ready and waiting. In fact, the church should already possess the revival spirit.

The sermon has its proper place in an evangelistic crusade, but it is only the climax. When there is no buildup before we reach the climax, the climax becomes an anticlimax.

FOR CONVERSION FOR EVERY SERMON

Would it be too much to expect one conversion and one baptism for each sermon delivered throughout the campaign if the proper prior buildup has preceded the sermon. We have done a little figuring and discover that if the 29,496 churches each conducts a two - weeks revival and that 28 sermons are delivered during those two weeks, that would make a grand total of 825,888 sermons delivered. You can see the possibilities if there should be one convert for each sermon.

Perhaps you think that is putting the results of the evangelistic crusade on a mathematical basis, yet it is inevitable that mathematics will figure in the crusade. Why should it be thought impossible that Southern Baptists should win 825,800 souls to Christ during this crusade? Our Savior is not limited either in His interest or in His power to save the souls of men, whatever the number may be. He is limited only by His representatives upon earth. Will we fail Him in this strategic hour or will we throw ourselves at His feet and yield ourselves to the challenge presented in the 1955 crusade.

We come back to the most essential and all-important feature in the preparation for a revival meeting—and that feature is prayer. Our Southern Baptist pastors, our Southern Baptist churches, our Southern Baptist members will rea-



Shown above is the attractive sign showing the way to the Bethesda Church in Oktibbeha County. Church signs indicate progress and also help strangers in a vicinity to find a Baptist church.

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GROUP PLANS BIRTHDAY PILGRIMAGE TO SCHWEITZER

NEW YORK—(RNS)—Some 30 persons will make a "birthday pilgrimage" to the jungle hospital of Dr. Albert Schweitzer, famed author, philosopher, musician and missionary physician, at Lambarene in French Equatorial Africa early next year, it was announced here.

Dr. Schweitzer will be 80 years old on Jan. 14.

The pilgrimage is to be sponsored by the World Parliament of Religions, formed in 1952, which describes itself as "the spiritual heir" of the first World Parliament of Religions held in Chicago in 1893.

The pilgrimage to Lambarene, the announcement said, will be part of a globe-circling goodwill mission with stops at London, Paris, Geneva, Rome, Athens, Jerusalem, New Delhi, Hong Kong, and Tokyo. It will leave New York Jan. 4 or 5 for Europe, and the party is scheduled to reach Brazzaville, nearest airport to Lambarene, about seven days later.

lize the full values of the 1955 crusade as they lay themselves out before the Lord in prayer.

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STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS

A great change has come about within the last twenty-five years in the matter of the stewardship of money.

Until the early twenties there was very little said and done about the financial part of Christ's work. Even some of our great Southern Baptist leaders did not put much stress on the money part, and some of them did not even practice tithing.

Why the great change in this matter?

It has come about because of the preaching and teaching on it during the last twenty-five years. God's plan of financing the kingdom has been preached and taught more within these years than for many, many years before that, and perhaps for scores of them.

As a result, there has come up a generation of people who have been taught from infancy that God's plan of finance is to bring the tithes and offerings into the storehouse Sunday by Sunday. So many more people now know this great doctrine of God's Word and many of them are practicing it Sunday by Sunday in their churches.

We marvel sometimes at the change that has come to pass within the last fifteen to twenty years in the number of churches that have come from half-time and quarter-time to full time. In fact, it was not too many years ago that Southern Baptists had around 14,000 part-time churches. Today that number has been reduced to around 4,000. It is truly amazing.

Not only that, but these same churches that had part-time preaching only a few years ago now have full time and a good program and a new church building and a pastor's home near by. And those communities are not any larger now than they were many years ago, many of them.

This fall we have another special emphasis on Stewardship. The Sunday school is a great agent of the church to help in this promotion because it has more people than any other part of the work, and it also has all ages of them. That gives us the opportunity of teaching them this great subject from childhood days, which is certainly important.

Therefore, Sunday school leaders, let's put our best into this special Stewardship program this fall in order that even more people may come to a better knowledge of the Bible teaching on it.

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and then may be led to do what it teaches.

The Bible teaching always is never on knowing just for knowing's sake, but for doing. Jesus said, one day, "If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them." James says, "Be not hearers of the Word only, but doers."

We want Christians who give as the Bible teaches about money, and not just learning about only.

SELECT A GOOD AIM

Now that we are in a new year of work, it will be a fine thing for each teacher to select one or two worthy aims for the year and get the class to commit itself to the part of reaching them.

Aims and goals are worth while, even though we may not all the time reach them. We will get higher with them than without them.

Some one has well said, that we may aim high and lapd low, but that we will never aim low and land high.

Another has said, that not failure but low aim is crime. Not the fact every time that we did not reach the worthy goal toward which we were striving, but the fact that we were not going anywhere particularly when we started.

So, teachers, select one or two very worthy and challenging goals for this year for your class and then do your best to reach them just as soon as possible. It will help much in your work.

GULF COAST SOARS

For the year just closed, the Gulf Coast Association had an increase in Sunday school enrollment of 1,428, which is a net gain of 23.2 per cent.

That is very fine for any association, and for one as large as that one it is excellent. The larger the numbers involved, the harder it is to show a percentage gain. However, Gulf Coast did it, and did it in no uncertain way.

Our very sincere thanks to all who helped in this great program, and many had a big part in it.

The associational Sunday school superintendent is Mr. Raymond, L. Cline, educational director of the First Baptist Church of Biloxi, who worked most diligently and who led out in a very challenging way. We thank him for his fine part in all this.

AWARDS RECORD FOR SEPTEMBER, 1954

No. awards for September... 1,786
No. awards to date... 25,447
No. churches to date... 492
No. associations to date... 75

HIGH FIVE ASSOCIATIONS

Scott 257
Hinds 225
Jackson 152
Lauderdale 145
Jones and Leflore (tie) 104

HIGH FIVE CHURCHES

Morton 222
Pascagoula, First 124
Greenwood, First 103
Jackson, Calvary 84
Tylertown 82

BAY SPRINGS ORDAINS THREE DEACONS



Pictured above are three newly ordained deacons of the Bay Springs Church. They are, from left to right, Caron Thornton, O. M. Oates, and H. V. Johnson.

The ordination sermon was preached by the pastor, Dr. Cecil W. Jones, October 24.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Attention! All older churches, and especially those constituted prior to the Civil War! We are requesting you, as last year, that you send your clerks to the annual meeting of the Historical Society which meets on Nov. 16th at 8:30 a. m. in the Lena Stephenson Sunday School Room in the First Church, Jackson.

The Society invites the church clerks to be our honored guests at this meeting, and also at the State Convention when the report of the Society is presented.

We are suggesting that the churches send with their clerks their old minute books to be deposited with the Custodian of the Society for safe-keeping in the library of Mississippi College, Clinton.

The church should vote in conference to entrust the records to the care of the Society and when the official receipt is sent to the church, it should be pasted in the current minute book record of the Adjacent To-Action of the church. A duplicate of the receipt is attached to Minute book or books for identification.

J. L. Boyd, Sr., Custodian, P. O. Box 382, Clinton, Miss.

Man Of Distinction

In our effort to help the liquor industry present both sides of "Men of Distinction" we offer them the following facts as taken from a news story in the Jackson Daily News.

Clyde E. Johnson, 23, who told police a story of a plan to impersonate an army sergeant, is in the Forrest County jail. He is charged with wearing the uniform of a U.S. Army sergeant without authority and also was transporting in interstate commerce a stolen vehicle. He stated that he took an Army sergeant's automobile and identification papers and put on the sergeant's uniform "as a favor to him." It seems that he was to take the place of Sergeant Rowe in order that Sergeant Rowe might continue his association with a girl who caught his fancy. According to Johnson, a sustained drinking spree made the idea seem an intelligent one and very daring and exciting. He said that he met Rowe when both of them were drinking.

W. E. Greene, former president of Clarke College, Newton, is now assistant to the president of East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, Tex.

Hinds Blue Mountain Alumnae To Meet

A luncheon meeting of the Hinds County Blue Mountain College Alumnae will be held at the Heidelberg Hotel, Jackson, at 12 noon Wednesday, November 17. At this time "Mother Berry Day" will be observed. A special invitation is extended to all Blue Mountain alumnae throughout the state to attend this meeting.

As is customary, this meeting will be held during the week of the State Baptist Convention. Reservations should be made by November 15 with the local president, Mrs. Bernard M. Jones, Northside Station, Jackson.

Trinity, Vicksburg To Mark Third Anniversary

Trinity Church will observe its third anniversary the first Sunday in November. It became a church Nov. 1951.

The present church enrolment is 494. Sunday School enrolment of 484, and Training Union enrolment of 255.

There has been a new auditorium and sixteen educational rooms added to the original structure. At present an addition for the babies and beginners is in the planning of being erected.

The pastor of Trinity Church is Rev. Paul O. Lee, who has pastored the church from the time it was a mission.

From the twenty two have dedicated their lives to special service in the Church, a group has started a Volunteer Mission Band. This group reports that they have already accomplished much in the mission field. This band of volunteers go out every Sunday afternoon and visit. They visit the home for the aged, the hospitals, convalescent homes, individual homes, or any place that they feel they are needed.

The McAdams Church, Rev. V. R. Crider, pastor, observed Stewardship Revival Week Oct. 24-28 with a successful campaign.

CALENDAR OF PRAYER

November 8—Statewide Nursery, Beginner and Primary Training Union Leadership Clinics; beginning of second term, Clarke College.

November 9—Associational Training Union Officers' Planning Meetings; N. G. Hickman, Alcorn County Associational Missionary.

November 10—B. E. Turner, Leake Associational Training Union Director; Mrs. R. D. Reynolds, Wayne Associational W.M.U. Superintendent.

November 11—R. C. Morris, Leflore Associational Brotherhood President; Earl Skelton, Holmes Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

November 12—Mrs. Anita May, Baptist Building; Sara Jo McPhail, BSU President, Hinds Junior College.

November 13—Joan Stockstill, BSU Director, Jones Junior College; W. B. Tennyson, Trustee, Blue Mountain College.

November 14—W. L. Stagg, Trustee, William Carey College, Dr. John W. Landrum, Historical Society Commission.

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Richland (Rankin)	161	59
Edwards	86	42
Jackson, West	279	138
Byram (Hinds)	180	139
Jackson, Daniel Memorial	674	269
Pearl (Rankin)	190	114
Jackson, First	1413	515
Jackson, Crestwood	609	448
Flowood	104	94
Canton, Center Terrace	275	177
Jackson, Northside	564	212
Jackson, Van Winkle	483	280
Van Winkle Mission	56	63
Steen's Creek (Florence)	166	67
Paul Truitt (Rankin)	167	183
Jackson, Broadmoor	443	189
Jackson, Calvary	1547	564
Main Church	1480	517
Mission	67	47
Elaine	139	82
Jackson, South Side	442	206
Jackson, Parkway	1113	565
New Prospect (Lincoln)	149	105
Brookhaven, Central	106	60
Oak Grove (Yazoo)	61	70
New Sight (Lincoln)	131	75
Columbus, First	917	367
Calhoun City, First	351	162
Gulfport, Grace Memorial	241	94
Long Beach, First	222	55
Darling	92	43
Greenwood, Calvary	411	190
McComb, Friendship	200	99
Columbia, First	601	252
Main	534	188
South Columbia Mission	67	63
Eupora, First	293	105
Petal-Harvey	381	157
Main	353	
Harvey	28	
Unity (Jackson)	98	91
Hattiesburg, Temple	576	196
Hurricane Creek (Marion)	115	88
Clarksdale	391	151
Olive Branch	136	74
Laurel, Highland	268	111
Pelahatchie	188	113
Laurel, Harmony	165	75
West Point, First	582	282
Hernando	154	71
Gulfport, New Hope	124	36
Houston, First	291	152
Meridian, Poplar Springs		
Drive	367	163
Jackson, Highland	106	90
White Rock Mission	6	
Springfield (Scott)	129	80
Gulfport, First	938	270
Grenada, Emmanuel	282	123
Main	256	123
Futheyville Chapel	26	
Hattiesburg, 38th Ave.	131	85
Longview (Okibbeha)	95	91
Columbus, East End	276	109
Murphy Creek (Winston)	158	112
Magee	614	103
Natchez, Immanuel	271	180
Lucedale	348	170
Picayune, First	585	
Columbus, Southside	126	80
Aberdeen, First	376	112
Crystal Springs, First	715	245
Laurel, First	589	198
Stonewall	195	123
Purvis, First	223	83
Main Church	202	
Mission	21	
Newton, First	462	230
Pascagoula, Eastlawn	178	108
Fellowship (Choctaw)	71	43
Oakland Grove (Jones)	86	98
Marks, First	225	71
Yazoo City, First	502	159
Union, First	333	129
Yazoo City, Calvary	179	129
Brookhaven, First	837	303
Main Church	724	233
Southway	48	36
Halbert Heights	45	34

REV. R. R. JONES DIES IN McCOMB

Services for Rev. R. R. Jones, retired Baptist minister who died recently after a heart attack were held from the Central Baptist Church, McComb.

Rev. C. C. Randall officiated.

Mr. Jones, 73, had been active in the Baptist ministry for 38 years. He retired seven years ago after serving as pastor of the South McComb Church for 26 years. After retirement he continued to substitute in various churches.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. R. R. Jones of McComb; two daughters, Mrs. George McGill of New Orleans, and Mrs. Russell Case of McComb; a son, Morris Jones of McComb and three brothers.

DALLAS, Tex. (RNS) — Solemn prayer echoed amid the gaiety at the State Fair of Texas as the final curtain was lowered on the 1954 exposition. More than 20,000 persons gathered in the Cotton Bowl on the fair-grounds for the fourth annual Religious Festival to rededicate themselves "to our Christian way of life."

The strains of hymns sung by twenty massed choirs rang from the sports stadium to melt with the shrieks of fun seekers and the come-ons of the hawkers from the nearby glittering Midway carnival. And the wavering rumble of the Lord's Prayer recited in unison by the worshippers settled over the fair in a whisper. Rep. Walter H. Judd of Minnesota, former medical missionary, was guest speaker at the Religious Festival. He urged that Christian faith be taken into every field and put into practice to build a united world.

Hebron (Jones)	76	67
Niland Chapel (Bolivar)	46	33
Kreole, First	126	72
Mt. Pleasant (Holmes)	48	42
Brownsville, Beulah	94	92
Lambert	130	75
Cleveland, Immanuel	201	128
New Albany, First	769	221
Mission	63	
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	509	156
Pascagoula, First	821	322
Main School	658	227
Jackson Ave. Chapel	71	26
McArthur Chapel	33	11
Orange Grove Chapel	59	58
Kosciusko, First	772	283
Main School	747	
Maple Mission	25	
Concord (Choctaw)	109	102
McComb, East	522	199
Hattiesburg, Main St.	946	386
Fair River (Lincoln)	125	81
Glenfield (Union)	111	108
Biloxi, Trinity	215	74
Biloxi, East Howard	141	80
Gulfport, Calvary	58	38
Friendship (Lincoln)	125	103
Soso, First	166	71
Morton (Scott)	309	135
Main	292	
Mission	17	
Hardy (Grenada)	112	102

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Charleston, First	405	157
Pascagoula, Eastlawn	184	115
East Corinth (Alcorn)	228	101
Main School	167	
East Corinth Mission	61	
Cleveland, First	457	128
Chinese Mission	38	
Main School	419	
Gulfport, New Hope	120	37
Hebron (Jones)	89	48

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORTS

Enrol. Offg.

Bluff Springs (Pike)	76	
Bogue Chitto (Pike)	96	
Calvary (Pike)	86	
Johnston Station	47	
McComb, First	245	
Locust St., McComb	136	
North McComb	91	
Summit	117	
Thompson (Pike)	17	
Tangipahoa (Pike)	69	
Union (Pike)	50	
Sunny Hill (Pike)	46	
Louisville, Calvary	81	8.71

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Clear Creek Church, Baxterville, of the Marion Association, had a Stewardship Revival October 24-31. Rev. M. C. Nelson, the pastor, did the preaching. The attendance and response was good.

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RIAL (Religion in American Life), through its Advertising Council, will make available in November national advertising on a mass schedule appealing for "a greater recognition of the value of religious worship to the family." The advertising if purchased on a commercial basis would cost about \$5 million. In 1953 the advertising included 162 television network announcements, 3,104 billboards, 66,000 bus and subway cars, and 11,000 advertisements in 1,200 newspapers. As a result, increased church attendance was reported in many communities.

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Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Rev. B. Delfis Hardin, Maben; O. Theron Poole, Dossville; Mrs. Alice Minton, Star; Rev. and Mrs. R. S. Parker, Natchez; Rev. H. C. Rutledge, Rayne, Louisiana; Rev. John A. Parker, Fort Worth, Texas; Mrs. Joe F. Gordon, McComb; Rev. and Mrs. Elsie O. Smith, Washington; Rev. J. C. Wells, New Orleans, Louisiana; Rev. H. L. Fewell, Lucedale; J. N. Howell, Lucedale; Ben F. Mitchell, Louisville, Kentucky; Rev. C. H. Cutrell, Calhoun City; Wheeler C. Cathey, Jackson; Sam Jones, Jackson.

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CONFERENCE LEADER



HARRY SMALLWOOD

Shown above is Harry Smallwood from Laurel who will lead the conference on Membership Vice Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Membership Committees at the State Brotherhood Rally which is to be held at the First Baptist Church on November 15.

Brotherhood Department

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary

JO ANN SUMMERS, Office Secretary

Annual Brotherhood Rally

The Mississippi Baptist Brotherhood Rally will be held on November 15 at the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi, and there will be three sessions of the rally. The afternoon session is from 2 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, the banquet from 5 p.m. to 6:30 at Calvary Baptist Church, and the evening session will be from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.

The Mississippi College Choir under the direction of Professor E. N. Elsey, will furnish special music for the rally. This is one of the greatest choirs in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Don't miss the banquet at Calvary Baptist Church beginning at 5 p.m. with Gordon Sansing as toastmaster. The menu is as follows: baked ham, creamed potatoes, green beans, wobby salad, bread, butter, tea or coffee and apply pie. Price \$1.00 per place and please make your reservation with the Brotherhood Department, Box 530, Jackson.

The afternoon service begins at 2 p.m. with Cecil Randall in charge of the music. W. R. Roberts, State Brotherhood Secretary, will present Baptist Brotherhood literature.

The major brotherhood activities for 1955 will be discussed by Schuyler Batson, Otis Seal, Baker James Cauthen and Joel Ray.

W. J. Isbell of Alabama will discuss the relationship between the Church Brotherhood and the Associational Brotherhood.

The conferences will begin at 3:20 with W. J. Isbell, Harry Smallwood, and S. R. Woodson as leaders. A conference period should be the most valuable period in the whole rally.

The evening session begins at 7 p.m. with special music by the Mississippi College Choir. Dr. Luther Joe Thompson, pastor Calvary Baptist Church will bring the first message to be followed by a message entitled, "Our Greatest Assets—Our Boys" by Miss Edwina Robinson. The closing message will be brought by Dr. Baker James Cauthen of the Foreign Mission Board.

There is little doubt but that 2000 men will be present for this great rally.

Since we can only set 500 men at the banquet we are going to have to disappoint quite a few people who will want to come. Get your ticket now from the Baptist Brotherhood Department and send \$1.00 per ticket.

Conference Leaders



W. J. ISBELL



S. R. WOODSON

Shown above (left), is W. J. Isbell, D.V.M., Langdale, Alabama and S. R. Woodson, pastor, First Baptist Church, Columbus (right) who are on the afternoon program at the State Brotherhood Rally which is to be held at the First Baptist Church, Jackson, November 15. Dr. Isbell will lead the conference for Presidents, Program Vice-Presidents and Pastors, and Dr. Woodson will lead the conference for Activities Vice Presidents, Chairmen and Members of all Brotherhood Committees.

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- 10:30—General Conference—Miss Ann Bradford.
- 11:15—Department Workshops.
- 12:45—Lunch.

Afternoon Session

- 1:45—Departmental Workshops.
- 1:45 to
- 3:00—Special conference for pastors, educational directors and Training Union directors.
- 4:30—Adjourn.

(A Nursery will be provided for the children.)

Personnel

Nursery: Mrs. Jesse Meek, Approved Nursery, Beginner, Primary worker for the Tennessee Baptist Training Union Department, Jackson.

Mrs. Earl Clark, First Baptist Church, Jackson.

Beginner: Miss Elsie Rives, Director of Elementary Religious Education, South Main Baptist Church, Houston, Texas.

Miss Evelyn George, Approved Nursery, Beginner, Primary work.

Associational Officers Planning Meetings Offer Opportunities To Associational Leadership On These Dates: Nov. 9, 11, 12



The associational officers of Mississippi will meet Mr. Harvey T. Gibson, Director of Associational Work, Training Union Department, Sun-Nashville, Tenn. day School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, in person at Oxford on November 9, at Canton on November 11 and at Hattiesburg on November 12. They will also have the opportunity of meeting in person Miss LaVerne Ashby, Director of Primary Work for the Training Union Department of the Sunday School Board and all members of the state Training Union Department of Mississippi.

We are not guaranteeing that all of your problems will be answered at these planning meetings but you will find the answer to a great

er for the Mississippi Baptist Training Union Department, Jackson.

Primary: Miss LaVerne Ashby, Director of Primary work, Training Union Department of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee.

Mrs. Chester L. Quarles, Ridgecrest Baptist Church, Jackson. General: Miss Ann Bradford, Professor of Elementary Religious Education, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

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2. Creative Activity.
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Miss Ann Bradford will participate in each of the departmental workshops leading in a discussion of these topics.

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many of them at these planning meetings if you will just come and ask them. Come to whichever meeting is most convenient to you. The meeting at Oxford, will be at the First Baptist Church, the meeting at Canton will be at the First Baptist Church and the meetings at Hattiesburg will be at Temple Baptist Church.

CENTRAL LEADERSHIP SCHOOL HELD IN LEAKE COUNTY

Leake Association engaged in a Central Leadership Training School during the week of October 18-22 at the Carthage Baptist Church.

Eight churches were represented in the classes during the week. Classes were conducted for all ages. The Nursery, Beginner, Primary Leadership Manual was taught by Miss Evelyn George of Jackson and the Junior and Intermediate Leadership Manuals were taught by Miss Neta Stewart. A class was provided for Young People with Rev. George Canzonieri as teacher and one for the Intermediates with Mrs. Jimmie Reagan as teacher. Miss June Waldrup, educational secretary of

BOGUE CHITTO CHURCH CALLS NEW PASTOR



REV. MILTON BRYANT

Bogue Chitto Church has called as its new pastor Rev. Milton Bryant. He began work there on October 1, coming from the pastorate of Kossuth and Bethel Church, Counce, Tenn.

Mr. Bryant attended Mississippi College, Blue Mountain College and Union University. He received his B. D. degree from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

Mrs. Bryant, the former Lona Barber of Haslehurst, is a graduate of Hillman College and Mississippi State. They have three children.

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

Yale Street Is No. 1106

Yale Street Church in Cleveland believes that a good beginning means a good ending. Therefore they are beginning with the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

Organized only a few months ago Pastor Joseph W. Oliver was familiar with the Baptist Record EVERY MEMBER Plan in his former pastorate and immediately began plans to lead the church to adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan. He recently wrote that the church had voted unanimously to adopt the EFP.

Record readers in Boxer County are now listed as follows: BENOIT, 68; BOYLE, 106; CENTERFIELD, 33; CLEVELAND, FIRST, 315; DUNCAN, 57; GUNNISON, 42; INTERSTATE, 40; MERIGOLD, 61; MORRISON CHAPEL, 101; NELAND CHAPEL, 24; PACE, 36; PROVIDENCE, 5; ROSEDALE, 68; SHELBY, 106; SKENE, 65; Sunnyside, 18; WAXHAW, 37; CLEVELAND, CALVARY, 156; EVERITT CHAPEL, 22; IMMANUEL, 71; YALE STREET, 24.

Evangelist Suggests Church Adopts

During the summer Rev. Herman Milner assisted in a revival meeting at Mt. Olivett Church in Scott County. Having the Baptist Record in his own church, Mr. Milner thought it would be a good thing for Mt. Olivett and called it to the attention of the church. They asked that it be sent a few

the Carthage Church, taught the Juniors and Mr. Kermit S. King of Jackson taught the Adults.

weeks on trial. This was done.

The result was the usual one. The church adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan. Rev. Smith Sanders is the pastor.

Record readers in Scott County are now listed as follows: BETHLEHEM, 74; BRANCH, 41; Clifton, 1; COOPERSVILLE, 24; CASH, 40; FOREST, FIRST, 234; GOOD HOPE, 42; HARPERVILLE, 72; HILLSBORO, 35; HOMEWOOD, 26; HOPEWELL, 24; Lake, 14; LIBERTY, 35; LUDLOW, 97; MORTON, 177; New Home, 10; OAK GROVE, 20; Pleasant Ridge, 2; PULASKI, 23; RIDGE, 24; Sand Ridge, 19; SPRINGFIELD, 64; Two Mile, 30; SALEM, 25; Mt. Olivett, 16.

Washington Association

Washington Association deserves a certificate of some kind, for it is one of the very few associations that we have attended where they started on time and stayed ahead of time. Moderator Perry Claxton started on the minute and stayed on time.

Three night sessions were held, the first with First Church, Greenville, the second at Hollandale, and the third with the Parkview Church, Greenville.

Officers elected are: Moderator, Rev. W. L. Compere; Vice-Moderator, Rev. M. E. Perry; Clerk, Rev. Hugh Collins; and Treasurer, R. E. Frothingham.

The thing we liked most about the Washington Association is the fact that they gave us sufficient time to really discuss the state work and the Cooperative Program.

Record readers in Washington Association are listed as follows:

ALEXANDER MEMORIAL 48, ARCOLA 61, DARLOVE 41, GLEN ALLAN 34, GREENVILLE, FIRST 416, GREENVILLE, SECOND 224, GREENVILLE, CALVARY 90, GREENVILLE, PARKVIEW 185, HOLLANDALE 153, LELAND 238, SWIFTWATER 20, LELAND, SECOND 32.

G. M. McWilliams, Baptist Leader, Passes Away

G. M. McWilliams, 68 president of the Citizens Bank of Hattiesburg, and a trustee of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation, died Oct. 9, at Baptist Hospital in Jackson after undergoing an operation.

A native of Winona, Mr. McWilliams had been associated with the Citizens Bank since 1906. He started as a clerk and became the bank's president in 1943.

Mr. McWilliams has been a member of the board of trustees of William Carey College for more than 30 years, including 10 years as president of the board.

He had been an active member of Main Street Church, serving on the board of deacons for more than 25 consecutive years including some eight or ten years as chairman.

Survivors include his wife, a daughter, Mrs. John Finkel of Jackson; a brother, H. F. McWilliams, Sr. of Hattiesburg; two sisters, Mrs. J. C. Fields and Mrs. E. B. Lokey, of Hattiesburg, and four granddaughters.

Funeral services were held in Hattiesburg with Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., pastor Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, officiating.

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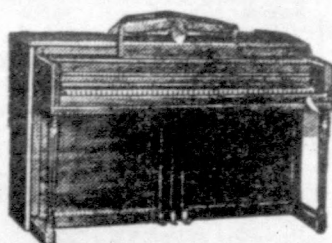
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Dr. Quarles Dr. Barnes Dr. Pearson Dr. Bush

Pictured above, left to right, are Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board; Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., Pastor, Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, and President of the Mississippi Baptist Convention; Dr. Glen Pearson, Hattiesburg, medical doctor, and Dr. Russell Bush, Jr., Columbia, dentist, who are to participate in the program of the State BSU Convention, First Church, Hattiesburg, December 3-5.

Dr. Quarles was born in Wiggins, Mississippi; has the A. B. from Howard College, the Th.M. from Southern Seminary and the D.D. from Mississippi College, and before coming to his present position in 1950, was Educational Director for Broadway Church, Louisville, Kentucky; Pastor of Newton, Alabama Church; State Training Union Secretary for Alabama; Associate in the Southwide Training Union Department and Pastor of First Church, Leland, Mississippi, and of First Church, Sylacauga, Alabama. Dr. Quarles is to speak Saturday morning of the Convention.

Dr. Barnes is an Alabamian, a graduate of Howard College and has the Th.M. from Southern Seminary and the D. D. from Mississippi College. In 1947, he attended the Baptist World Alliance in Copenhagen and visited in ten European countries. In 1951 and 1953 Dr. Barnes was in preaching missions in Jamaica. He plans to attend the 1955 Baptist World Alliance in London. Dr. Barnes had been pastor at Atmore, Alabama and First Church, West Point, Mississippi, before coming to Main Street more than ten years ago. He is to lead the Seminar for Pastors at the Convention.

Dr. Pearson, native of Macon, Mississippi, and son of Rev. R. D. Pearson, Pastor of Macon's First Church, is a graduate of both Mississippi State and Ole Miss and of Tulane University Medical School. He practiced in Macon, Mississippi five years before moving to Hattiesburg in 1950. Dr. Pearson will lead the seminar for prospective doctors at the Convention.

Dr. Bush, about whom we seem not to have any biographical information, will lead the Seminar for prospective dentists.

Mr. L. V. Martin, Minister of Music for Temple Church, Hattiesburg, whose picture we carried in this column last week, is from Ackerman, Mississippi; has had three years work in the School of Music of Southwestern Seminary and formerly directed choral groups at Woman's College. Before coming to Hattiesburg, he was Minister of Music for Gordon Street Church, Atlanta; Highland Heights Church, Memphis, and First Church, Clarksdale. Mr. Martin is to lead the Seminar for prospective ministers of music at the Convention.

MISCELLANEA

November brings, besides more football and Thanksgiving, a time of checking up on what remains to be done in and through BSU. Have all Baptists been enlisted? Have all lost students been won to Christ? Is our program all it could and should be? If not, and we know we cannot answer affirmatively to any of the above questions, then our job is not yet done.

A letter from Union University, Jackson, Tennessee, reveals that two Mississippi students there seem quite happy in the West Jackson Church of which Dr. David Byrd, native of Clinton, is pastor.

MSCW news, sent in by Rochie Whittington, Publicity Director, reveals that 69 attended Methods Course taught by Bill Cody; Miss Harriet Barnes is BSU Faculty Adviser, "Deacon's Week," when deacons from First Church, Columbus, spoke at Noonday and were honored, along with their wives, with a reception at the Student Center, was held October 4-9; "Around the World" was the theme of the Y. W. A. party; 100 is goal for Baptist Student subscriptions; "Hospitality Day," when members of First Church, Columbus, invited students into their homes for dinner, was held October 10th.

The Intercollegiate BSU Meeting at Jackson College October 12th was a significant and thrilling experience. BSU officers and the BSU Directors from Alcorn A & M and Mississippi Vocational College joined their fellow BSUs of Jackson College in an excellent program and in fellowship. Rev. Frederick Brown, Jackson College's BSU Director, along with Dr. W. A. Keel, of our State Negro Work Department, arranged the meeting and the program. Plans for organizing a State Negro BSU Council were made.

Rankin Memorial Chapel Dedicated In Japan

In special services at Fukuoka, Japan, on October 13, the M. Theron Rankin Memorial Chapel was dedicated at Seinan Baptist University. Present at the dedication were national Baptist leaders and pastors, missionaries, and Japanese civic officials. The occasion also marked the completion and dedication of the new university library and faculty building.

Built at a cost of \$100,000 the Rankin Chapel has a seating capacity of over 1,500 and is the largest indoor auditorium in Japan's southern island of Kyushu.

Greetings were read from Dr. Baker James Cauthen, Foreign Mission Board executive secretary, in which he said "the purpose of this investment in Seinan Gakuin is to build a Christian university... a school with high standards of scholarship, worthy ideals of character, and commanding concepts of culture all centered in Jesus Christ". Referring to the life and achievements of the late M. Theron Rankin, Dr. Cauthen said "his name will ever stand as a challenge to the students of Seinan Gakuin to give their lives to Jesus Christ."

Speaking at the joint dedication of the chapel and library building, Governor Sugimoto expressed deepest gratitude to Southern Baptists in America and emphasized the great responsibility to use the buildings for the stated Christian purposes and ideals. A. L. Gillespie, mission chairman for the 102 Southern Baptist missionaries in Japan, declared that the chapel and library "were built by Southern Baptists of America for the evangelization of Japan."

National Baptist leaders and missionaries hailed the dedication of the chapel and library as another milestone in the rapid postwar expansion of Seinan University. Organized in 1947, the liberal arts school now enrolls 1,500 students and is the largest Southern Baptist mission university overseas. (All the schools, including junior high, university, seminary, and kindergarten training school, enrol about 4,000 students). The new library-faculty building has a 100,000-volume capacity and is one of the most modern and best-equipped libraries in Japan.

On Thursday, October 14, groundbreaking ceremonies were held for the new \$100,000 seminary administration and classroom building.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORTS

	Enrol.	Offg.
Calvary, Vicksburg....	111	15.00
Homewood, Scott	91	
Pulaski	50	
New Good Hope (Scott) 55		
Mississippi City	101	25.00

The Bolivar Associational Sunday School meeting will be held with the Boyle Church on November 11 at 7:30 p.m. The theme of the program will be "Using the Sunday School to Finance the Program of the Church." On the program are Broun Ryle, Boyle; Rev. W. R. Swenson, Duncan; L. I. Myers, Skene. Rev. J. L. Morgan is the associational superintendent.

Music Department

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

1954 MUSIC SCHOOL PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT

During the Southwide Planning Meeting at Nashville last December, goals were set for Mississippi in our Music School Program. These goals are as follows: 1600 regular awards with an equal number of children's awards, 150 churches reporting and 25 associations reached.

All of these goals were passed during the month of September and we still have three months to go. In the number of awards issued up through September, there were 1713 regular awards. There were 179 churches reporting and 53 associations reporting.

We are grateful for the blessings received in our Music School Program this year. We have registered a total of 36 approved music teachers helping with the program during the year.

PRE-REGISTRATION CARDS FOR STATE FESTIVAL COMING

The State Music Festival is less than one month off. Pre-registration cards have been mailed from the Music Office and all Choral Groups and Hymn Players are requested to return these cards at the earliest possible moment. This will help the Music Department in making definite and complete plans for our State Festival.

Any Choral or Instrumental Group and Hymn Player that fails to return this card may still enter the festival. It might be that some group might not know until the last moment whether they can come or not. We want your group and Hymn Players to enter our Festival whether this card is returned or not.

The State Festival this year is expected to be the largest in the history of our work.

ASSOCIATIONAL MUSIC SCHOOL FOR OCTOBER

The Tippah Association-wide Music School completed the weeks

work on Friday, October 22. The Tallahatchie Association completed its association-wide school on Friday, October 8. The Sharkey-Isaquena Association completed its association-wide school on October 9.

The association-wide music school program for 1954 has made a great contribution to the work this year. for this we are grateful.

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Ridgecrest, Jackson Makes New Bldg. Plans

Ridgecrest Church, Jackson is planning the second addition to their building. On Sunday Oct. 31 they elected the following building committee: H. L. Hutcherson, Chester L. Quarles, F. E. Foster, Herbert Carver, W. B. Halliday, W. S. Griffin, Ross Burkett, Pete Dennis and Harvey Banks.

The Ridgecrest Church was started as a mission of First Church eighteen months ago. They now have 505 enrolled in Sunday School and 202 enrolled in Training Union. Rev. Fred Tarpley is the pastor.

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proved Nursery, Beginner, Pri-
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Baptist Training Union Depart-
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Mrs. Earl Clark, First Baptist
Church, Jackson.

Beginner: Miss Elsie Rives, Di-
rector of Elementary Religious
Education, South Main Baptist
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Miss Evelyn George, Approved
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son.

Primary: Miss LaVerne Ashby,
Director of Primary work, Train-
ing Union Department of the Sun-
day School Board, Nashville, Ten-
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The associa-
tional officers of
Mississippi will
meet Mr. Harvey
T. Gibson, Direc-
tor of Associa-
tional Work,
Training Union

Harvey T. Gibson, Department, Sun-
Nashville, Tenn. day School
Board, Nashville, Tennessee, in
person at Oxford on November 9,
at Canton on November 11 and at
Hattiesburg on November 12. They
will also have the opportunity of
meeting in person Miss LaVerne
Ashby, Director of Primary Work
for the Training Union Depart-
ment of the Sunday School Board
and all members of the state
Training Union Department of
Mississippi.

We are not guaranteeing that all
of your problems will be answer-
ed at these planning meetings but
you will find the answer to a great

many of them at these planning
meetings if you will just come and
ask them. Come to whichever
meeting is most convenient to you.
The meeting at Oxford, will be at
the First Baptist Church, the meet-
ing at Canton will be at the First
Baptist Church and the meetings
at Hattiesburg will be at Temple
Baptist Church.

CENTRAL LEADERSHIP SCHOOL HELD IN LEAKE COUNTY

Leake Association engaged in a
Central Leadership Training School
during the week of October 18-22
at the Carthage Baptist Church.

Eight churches were represent-
ed in the classes during the week.
Classes were conducted for all
ages. The Nursery, Beginner, Pri-
mary Leadership Manual was
taught by Miss Evelyn George of
Jackson and the Junior and In-
termediate Leadership Manuals
were taught by Miss Neta Stewart.
A class was provided for Young
People with Rev. George Canzon-
eri as teacher and one for the In-
termediates with Mrs. Jimmie
Reagan as teacher. Miss June
Waldrup, educational secretary of

BOGUE CHITTO CHURCH CALLS NEW PASTOR



REV. MILTON BRYANT

Bogue Chitto Church has called
as its new pastor Rev. Milton Bry-
ant. He began work there on Octo-
ber 1, coming from the pastorate
of Kossuth and Bethel Church,
Counce, Tenn.

Mr. Bryant attended Mississippi
College, Blue Mountain College
and Union University. He received
his B. D. degree from Southwest-
ern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

Mrs. Bryant, the former Lona
Barber of Hazlehurst, is a gradu-
ate of Hillman College and Mis-
sissippi State. They have three
children.

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

Yale Street Is No. 1106

Yale Street Church in Cleveland
believes that a good beginning
means a good ending. Therefore
they are beginning with the
EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Bap-
tist Record.

Organized only a few months ago
Pastor Joseph W. Oliver was fami-
liar with the Baptist Record
EVERY MEMBER Plan in his for-
mer pastorates and immediately
began plans to lead the church to
adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan.

He recently wrote that the
church had voted unanimously to
adopt the EFP.

Record readers in Boxer County
are now listed as follows:
BENOIT, 88; BOYLE, 106; CEN-
TERFIELD, 33; CLEVELAND,
FIRST, 315; DUNCAN, 57; GUN-
NISON, 42; INTERSTATE, 40;
MERIGOLD, 61; MORRISON
CHAPEL, 101; NOLAND CHAPEL,
24; PACE, 36; PROVIDENCE, 5;
ROSDALE, 68; SHELBY, 106;
SKENE, 65; Sunnyside, 18; WAX-
HAW, 37; CLEVELAND, CAL-
VARY, 158; EVERITT CHAPEL,
22; IMMANUEL, 71; YALE
STREET, 24.

Evangelist Suggests Church Adopts

During the summer Rev. Her-
man Milner assisted in a revival
meeting at Mt. Olivett Church in
Scott County. Having the Baptist
Record in his own church, Mr.
Milner thought it would be a good
thing for Mt. Olivett and called
it to the attention of the church.
They asked that it be sent a few

the Carthage Church, taught the
Juniors and Mr. Kermit S. King
of Jackson taught the Adults.

weeks on trial. This was done.

The result was the usual one.
The church adopted the EVERY
FAMILY Plan. Rev. Smith San-
ders is the pastor.

Record readers in Scott County
are now listed as follows: BETH-
LEHEM, 74; BRANCH, 41; Clif-
ton, 1; COOPERSVILLE, 24;
CASH, 40; FOREST, FIRST, 234;
GOOD HOPE, 42; HARPER-
VILLE, 72; HILLSBORO, 35;
HOMWOOD, 26; HOPEWELL, 24;
Lake, 14; LIBERTY, 35; LUD-
LOW, 97; MORTON, 177; New
Home, 10; OAK GROVE, 20;
Pleasant Ridge, 2; PULASKI, 23;
RIDGE, 24; Sand Ridge, 19;
SPRINGFIELD, 64; Two Mile, 30;
SALEM, 25; Mt. Olivett, 16.

Washington Association

Washington Association deserves
a certificate of some kind, for it
is one of the very few associations
that we have attended where they
started on time and stayed ahead
of time. Moderator Perry Claxton
started on the minute and stayed
on time.

Three night sessions were held,
the first with First Church, Green-
ville, the second at Hollandale, and
the third with the Parkview
Church, Greenville.

Officers elected are: Moderator,
Rev. W. L. Compere; Vice-Moder-
ator, Rev. M. E. Perry; Clerk,
Rev. Hugh Collins; and Treasurer,
R. E. Frothingham.

The thing we liked most about
the Washington Association is the
fact that they gave us sufficient
time to really discuss the state
work and the Cooperative Pro-
gram.

Record readers in Washington
Association are listed as follows:

ALEXANDER MEMORIAL 48,
ARCOLA 61, DARLOVE 41, GLEN
ALLAN 34, GREENVILLE, FIRST
416, GREENVILLE, SECOND 224,
GREENVILLE, CALVARY 99,
GREENVILLE, PARKVIEW 185,
HOLLANDALE 153, LELAND 238,
SWIFTWATER 20, LELAND, SEC-
OND 52.

G. M. McWilliams, Baptist Leader, Passes Away

G. M. McWilliams, 68 president of
the Citizens Bank of Hattiesburg,
and a trustee of the Mississippi
Baptist Foundation, died Oct. 9,
at Baptist Hospital in Jackson
after undergoing an operation.

A native of Winona, Mr. McWil-
liams had been associated with the
Citizens Bank since 1906. He
started as a clerk and became the
bank's president in 1943.

Mr. McWilliams has been a
member of the board of trustees
of William Carey College for more
than 30 years, including 10 years
as president of the board.

He had been an active member
of Main Street Church, serving on
the board of deacons for more
than 25 consecutive years includ-
ing some eight or ten years as
chairman.

Survivors include his wife, a
daughter, Mrs. John Fishel of
Jackson; a brother, H. F. McWil-
liams, Sr. of Hattiesburg; two sis-
ters, Mrs. J. C. Fields and Mrs.
E. B. Lokey, of Hattiesburg, and
four granddaughters.

Funeral services were held in
Hattiesburg with Dr. John E.
Barnes, Jr., pastor Main Street
Church, Hattiesburg, officiating.

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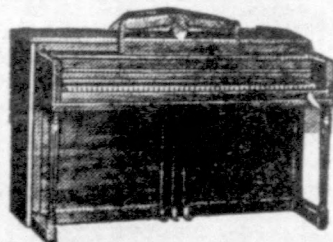
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Dr. Quarles Dr. Barnes Dr. Pearson Dr. Bush

Pictured above, left to right, are Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board; Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., Pastor, Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, and President of the Mississippi Baptist Convention; Dr. Glen Pearson, Hattiesburg, medical doctor, and Dr. Russell Bush, Jr., Columbia, dentist, who are to participate in the program of the State BSU Convention, First Church, Hattiesburg, December 3-5.

Dr. Quarles was born in Wiggins, Mississippi; has the A. B. from Howard College, the Th.M. from Southern Seminary and the D.D. from Mississippi College, and before coming to his present position in 1950, was Educational Director for Broadway Church, Louisville, Kentucky; Pastor of Newton, Alabama Church; State Training Union Secretary for Alabama; Associate in the Southwide Training Union Department and Pastor of First Church, Leland, Mississippi, and of First Church, Sylacauga, Alabama. Dr. Quarles is to speak Saturday morning of the Convention.

Dr. Barnes is an Alabamian, a graduate of Howard College and has the Th.M. from Southern Seminary and the D. D. from Mississippi College. In 1947, he attended the Baptist World Alliance in Copenhagen and visited in ten European countries. In 1951 and 1953 Dr. Barnes was in preaching missions in Jamaica. He plans to attend the 1955 Baptist World Alliance in London. Dr. Barnes had been pastor at Atmore, Alabama and First Church, West Point, Mississippi, before coming to Main Street more than ten years ago. He is to lead the Seminar for Pastors at the Convention.

Dr. Pearson, native of Macon, Mississippi, and son of Rev. R. D. Pearson, Pastor of Macon's First Church, is a graduate of both Mississippi State and Ole Miss and of Tulane University Medical School. He practiced in Macon, Mississippi five years before moving to Hattiesburg in 1950. Dr. Pearson will lead the seminar for prospective doctors at the Convention.

Dr. Bush, about whom we seem not to have any biographical information, will lead the Seminar for prospective dentists.

Mr. L. V. Martin, Minister of Music for Temple Church, Hattiesburg, whose picture we carried in this column last week, is from Ackerman, Mississippi; has had three years work in the School of Music of Southwestern Seminary and formerly directed choral groups at Woman's College. Before coming to Hattiesburg, he was Minister of Music for Gordon Street Church, Atlanta; Highland Heights Church, Memphis, and First Church, Clarksdale. Mr. Martin is to lead the Seminar for prospective ministers of music at the Convention.

MISCELLANEA

November brings, besides more football and Thanksgiving, a time of checking up on what remains to be done in and through BSU. Have all Baptists been enlisted? Have all lost students been won to Christ? Is our program all it could and should be? If not, and we know we cannot answer affirmatively to any of the above questions, then our job is not yet done.

A letter from Union University, Jackson, Tennessee, reveals that two Mississippi students there seem quite happy in the West Jackson Church of which Dr. David Byrd, native of Clinton, is pastor.

MSCW news, sent in by Rochie Whittington, Publicity Director, reveals that 60 attended Methods Course taught by Bill Cody; Miss Harriet Barnes is BSU Faculty Adviser, "Deacon's Week," when deacons from First Church, Columbus, spoke at Noonday and were honored, along with their wives, with a reception at the Student Center, was held October 4-9; "Around the World" was the theme of the Y. W. A. party; 100 is goal for Baptist Student subscriptions; "Hospitality Day," when members of First Church, Columbus, invited students into their homes for dinner, was held October 10th.

The Intercollegiate BSU Meeting at Jackson College October 12th was a significant and thrilling experience. BSU officers and the BSU Directors from Alcorn A & M and Mississippi Vocational College joined their fellow BSUers of Jackson College in an excellent program and in fellowship. Rev. Frederick Brown, Jackson College's BSU Director, along with Dr. W. A. Keel, of our State Negro Work Department, arranged the meeting and the program. Plans for organizing a State Negro BSU Council were made.

Rankin Memorial Chapel Dedicated In Japan

In special services at Fukuoka, Japan, on October 13, the M. Theron Rankin Memorial Chapel was dedicated at Seinan Baptist University. Present at the dedication were national Baptist leaders and pastors, missionaries, and Japanese civic officials. The occasion also marked the completion and dedication of the new university library and faculty building.

Built at a cost of \$100,000 the Rankin Chapel has a seating capacity of over 1,500 and is the largest indoor auditorium in Japan's southern island of Kyushu.

Greetings were read from Dr. Baker James Cauthen, Foreign Mission Board executive secretary, in which he said "the purpose of this investment in Seinan Gakuin is to build a Christian university... a school with high standards of scholarship, worthy ideals of character, and commanding concepts of culture all centered in Jesus Christ". Referring to the life and achievements of the late M. Theron Rankin, Dr. Cauthen said "his name will ever stand as a challenge to the students of Seinan Gakuin to give their lives to Jesus Christ."

Speaking at the joint dedication of the chapel and library building, Governor Sugimoto expressed deepest gratitude to Southern Baptists in America and emphasized the great responsibility to use the buildings for the stated Christian purposes and ideals. A. L. Gillespie, mission chairman for the 102 Southern Baptist missionaries in Japan, declared that the chapel and library "were built by Southern Baptists of America for the evangelization of Japan."

National Baptist leaders and missionaries hailed the dedication of the chapel and library as another milestone in the rapid postwar expansion of Seinan University. Organized in 1947, the liberal arts school now enrolls 1,500 students and is the largest Southern Baptist mission university overseas. (All the schools, including junior high, university, seminary, and kindergarten training school, enrol about 4,000 students). The new library-faculty building has a 100,000-volume capacity and is one of the most modern and best-equipped libraries in Japan.

On Thursday, October 14, groundbreaking ceremonies were held for the new \$100,000 seminary administration and classroom building.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORTS

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Calvary, Vicksburg....	111	15.00
Homewood, Scott	91	
Pulaski	50	
New Good Hope (Scott) 55		
Mississippi City	101	15.00

The Bolivar Associational Sunday School meeting will be held with the Boyle Church on November 11 at 7:30 p.m. The theme of the program will be "Using the Sunday School to Finance the Program of the Church." On the program are Brown Ryle, Boyle; Rev. W. R. Swenson, Duncan; L. I. Myers, Skene. Rev. J. L. Morgan is the associational superintendent.

Music Department

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

1954 MUSIC SCHOOL PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT

During the Southwide Planning Meeting at Nashville last December, goals were set for Mississippi in our Music School Program. These goals are as follows: 1600 regular awards with an equal number of children's awards, 150 churches reporting and 25 associations reached.

All of these goals were passed during the month of September and we still have three months to go. In the number of awards issued up through September, there were 1713 regular awards. There were 179 churches reporting and 53 associations reporting.

We are grateful for the blessings received in our Music School Program this year. We have registered a total of 36 approved music teachers helping with the program during the year.

PRE-REGISTRATION CARDS FOR STATE FESTIVAL COMING

The State Music Festival is less than one month off. Pre-registration cards have been mailed from the Music Office and all Choral Groups and Hymn Players are requested to return these cards at the earliest possible moment. This will help the Music Department in making definite and complete plans for our State Festival.

Any Choral or Instrumental Group and Hymn Player that fails to return this card may still enter the festival. It might be that some group might not know until the last moment whether they can come or not. We want your group and Hymn Players to enter our Festival whether this card is returned or not.

The State Festival this year is expected to be the largest in the history of our work.

ASSOCIATIONAL MUSIC SCHOOL FOR OCTOBER

The Tippah Association-wide Music School completed the weeks

work on Friday, October 22. The Tallahatchie Association completed its association-wide school on Friday, October 8. The Sharkey-Isaquena Association completed its association-wide school on October 9.

The association-wide music school program for 1954 has made a great contribution to the work this year. for this we are grateful.

Ridgecrest, Jackson Makes New Bldg. Plans

Ridgecrest Church, Jackson is planning the second addition to their building. On Sunday Oct. 31 they elected the following building committee: H. L. Hutcherson, Chester L. Quarles, F. E. Foster, Herbert Carver, W. B. Halliday, W. S. Griffin, Ross Burkett, Pete Dennis and Harvey Banks.

The Ridgecrest Church was started as a mission of First Church eighteen months ago. They now have 505 enrolled in Sunday School and 202 enrolled in Training Union. Rev. Fred Tarpley is the pastor.

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Sunday School Lesson

November 7, 1954

BY DR. CLIFTON J. ALLEN
THE SPLENDOR OF SELF-CONTROL

(Note: Dr. L. Bracey Campbell states that he regrets that the pressure of much work to do prevented his preparing the lesson for this week.)

Proverbs 14; 15:1-5; 16-20; 23:20-35.

The prevailing spirit of the times seems to advocate self-indulgence rather than self-control. People are imperiled by false teaching that whatever is natural is right: The indulgence of the flesh is permissible provided it does not go beyond moderation. This philosophy, subtly propagated in magazines and books, by radio and screen, even in some educational circles, is doing terrible damage to the moral structure of our nation's life. The supreme curse in beverage alcohol is that it destroys the power of self-control, which is the glory of personality.

THE PERIL OF ANGER

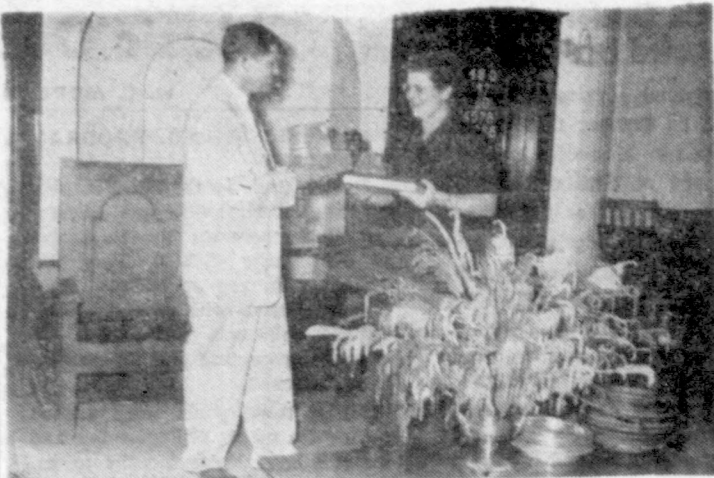
Anger is "a strong passion or emotion of displeasure," usually resentful and antagonistic. It is usually occasioned by insult or injury, sometimes by imagined wrong or suspected mistreatment. The writer of Proverbs gives good advice. The one who is slow to anger has good understanding; he takes in all the factors but keeps himself under control. The one easily irritated or infuriated often makes a fool of himself. The best preventive for avoiding strife or avoiding a situation conducive to anger is a soft answer. It ignores the barb in some rebuke, relieves tension, avoids giving offence.

The person who controls his temper is more like a man than some giant in physical strength who is nothing more than a baby in controlling angry feelings. The one who rules his own spirit accomplishes an achievement more noble than ruling his fellow men. It takes real manhood to return soft answers for sharp queries and ugly insults.

THE PERIL OF WINE

Wine, of course, refers to any intoxicant. We learn the nature of beverage alcohol by looking at a person under its influence. Such a person is a mocker and raging brawler. He will make sport of that which is sacred, scoff at that which is pure and good, and hold up to ridicule that which is holy. He will arouse strife, frequently starting a brawl which results in violence or murder. Beverage alcohol is a treacherous deceiver indeed—primarily because it drugs the higher levels of the brain, thus destroying the capacity for thinking, moral discrimination, and accurate judgment.

Shun beverage alcohol as deadly poison. It brings sorrow and suffering, contention and silly babbling, wounds and weariness. It imperils health, corrupts morals, and destroys the attributes of personality. Therefore, beware of its sparkling appeal and deceptive character. Consider the end result. It is like a snake, the agent of the devil's seductions and the instrument of death. Its intimate com-



Recently Drew Church presented a 35 mm. Camera, Exposure Meter and Projector to Miss Edythe Montroy, one of their members, who is a Missionary to Nigeria.

Edythe will fly from New York by BOAC on November 6 to return to her duties in the Baptist College at Iwo, Nigeria, West Africa, after a year spent on furlough in the States. She has been serving there under auspices of the Foreign Mission Board since 1946. Miss Montroy is a native of Drew.

Shown above is Miss Montroy receiving the gift from the pastor, Dr. David R. Grant.

Pastor's Breakfast Opens Preacher's Eyes

By DR. C. E. WILBANKS
Director of Evangelism

"There are so many things said against it," earnestly remarked the bright eyed young pastor, as we stood talking during a simultaneous revivals crusade. Presently we would be seated to a sumptuous breakfast like we had been nejoying together for a week, in Fellowship meetings of pastors, evangelists and singers.

"Said against what?" I inquired. "Oh, against simultaneous revivals crusades," he answered, in youthful sincerity and frankness. Then, as if to reassure me, now that we were friends of a week's duration, that he was quoting, and not expressing himself, he continued, "I am so glad that you said in your first breakfast message here, that our association had averaged ten baptisms per church last year, which consistently has been the state-wide average per church, and that you are convinced that any pastor with his church ought to win ten during the two weeks of the revival."

"That put me to thinking. I had not gone into the crusade with my little church out there in the country to win anyone. I didn't come to the Fellowship meeting expecting anything. I was just going to observe. Just wanted to see what's wrong with this kind of procedure. But that idea of ten in two weeks hit me hard. I am so happy. In one week we have won nine, and all await baptism. I must be back in

panions are adultery and profanity, vulgarity and cruelty. Worst of all, beverage alcohol makes its victim a weakling and a slave. One is senseless to danger and indifferent to disgrace.

THE BODY UNDER CONTROL

We have considered two areas of danger. They suggest a broader truth: The whole body must be brought under control. There is peril in lust, peril in uncontrolled appetite, peril in pride and covetousness. The entire body with all its holy functions and marvelous energies must be made the servant of the man and be kept only as the temple of God's Spirit.

school this week, but I have a whole week end-ahead to win that other one, and we will have ten, where I was not actually expecting any."

My first meditation upon his situation was upon "Where has that fine boy been to hear 'So many things said against it?' Two answers bounded back at me; 'In school,' and 'Among his preacher brethren here in this association.' I could not bring myself to the conclusion that either answer was correct.

My second meditation was, "Who has been saying 'So many things against it?'" Again two answers prodded my dull brain: "Those to whom he goes to school," and "His preacher brethren here." Again, I could not permit such a judgment to haunt my brain. Therefore I put the entire conversation behind my back quickly, for it was too painful to entertain, too unfair to be allowed, and too tragic to think that this fine preacher had had been poisoned against our SOUTHERN BAPTIST PROGRAM OF EVANGELISM. I just felt sick, as one must, who has been wounded in the house of his friends.

But his words "So many things are said against it," and "I came just to look on," have ridden with me to other Fellowship meetings. They arise in my mind at my desk. They cut when I stand up to speak, and they haunt me by day and by night.

From them, the only safe conclusion I feel at ease in holding is that those who have lived longer, had larger opportunities and now have the privilege of influencing young preachers, ought to be careful of attitudes and attacks lest we destroy evangelism, and fail to help God's called young men to make full proof of their ministries and do the work of evangelists.

—BR—
One out of ten persons in the United States is a Baptist, belonging to one of the twenty-five different branches of Baptists. One out of every two Negroes is a Baptist.

—BR—
Dr. W. R. Cooper, retired minister of Jackson, has been called as interim-pastor at Highland Church, Jackson. The pastor, Rev. George Lassett, recently resigned.

Canton, Center Terrace Adds 23 In Revival

The Revival meeting at the Center Terrace Church, Canton resulted in 23 additions to the church, 15 of which came by profession of faith. There were three also who came dedicating their lives to definite Christian service. Dr. Jack Southerland of Meridian did the preaching and Ralph Young of Pascagoula was in charge of the music and youth forums.

During the past associational year the Center Terrace Church has had 179 additions, with 111 on profession of faith. The Sunday School enrollment increased from 310 to 505. The Sunday School attained the Standard of Excellence during the year. The Training Union has been departmentalized and is showing a substantial growth. Gifts through the Cooperative Program increased 2 1-3 times over the previous year.

Rev. Solie L. Smith, is the pastor.

—BR—

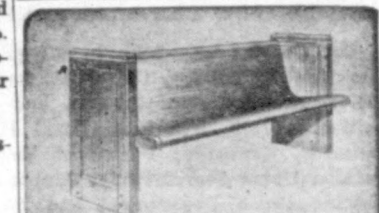
BRISTOL, Va.-Tenn. —(RNS) — J. C. Faddis, deputy city sergeant, told a group of five prisoners in the Virginia Bristol jail: "If you can yell and curse like that, you can sing—I'll bring you some song books." From the officer's home church, Hunt Memorial Methodist, he brought some no-longer-used hymnals and gave them to the prison inmates. "Not bad singing—don't you think?" he asked of a visitor at the jail's "booking" office. The former boisterous prisoners were singing, in fair harmony, "I'd Rather Be An Old Time Christian." "You never hear them cursing any more," Mr. Faddis said.

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Mrs. J. P. Byrd, Florence; W. L. Helcomb, Winnfield, Louisiana; J. G. Buckley, Winnfield, Louisiana; Mrs. J. H. Oliphant, Noxapater; Mrs. Lester L. Johnston, Jackson; Mrs. Ray Chambless, Jackson; Mrs. Ruth Tulley, New Orleans, Louisiana; Dorothy P. Worley, New Orleans, Louisiana; W. L. Thompson, Bogue Chitto; Raymond L. Kolb, Recife, Pernambuco, Brazil; Stanley P. Howard Jr., Shimonoseki City, Japan; Rev. J. Roque Silva, Clarke College, Newton.

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Counselor's Corner

BY DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON



Dr. Hudson, Pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind."

for the Baptist Record.

ONCE SAVED ALWAYS SAVED?

Question:

My husband is a Baptist and I am a Methodist. He believes "once saved always saved," but I don't.

I know Baptists who claim to believe as he does and they drink, throw wild parties, break up homes, and do anything the devil pleases. When you try to talk to them, they say that "we are saved so it does not matter what we do." It seems to me that they are wrong. Will you warn them?

Answer:

A warning is in order. But the real point of warning should center around their searching their hearts to see whether they have ever been saved.

Your problem is one that has bothered most of us at one time

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Parker, Southern Baptist missionaries to Chile who are in the state on furlough, have moved from Pickton, Tex., to Fort Worth, Tex., where they are studying at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Their address is 4313 5th Avenue. Mr. Parker is a native of Lucedale where he and Mrs. Parker make their permanent American home.

or another. Are these people who sin so lightly real Christians? Or were they once saved and are now lost? Or have they never been saved?

There is no such thing as being lost after you are once saved. If there is, I can quote you a hundred scriptures which are absolutely false. John 3:16 is one such. Salvation is by the grace of God (not by our good behavior) to all who repent and believe. But if a person has truly believed, there will be a difference in his conduct. How much of a difference I do not know. So far no one has been perfect except our Saviour.

Baptists do not teach that if you are saved you can "just live any way." We believe that if we are saved we will want to live Christlike lives.

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.)

NORTHSIDE, JACKSON ORDAINS 5 DEACONS

Show Marked Progress

On Sunday night, October 10, Northside Church Jackson had an Ordination Service, ordaining five new deacons. They are R. J. Dorman, D. C. Lancaster, Linus Scott, Dr. L. T. Carl and L. L. Campbell.

Dr. S. L. Stringer gave the charge to the deacons, and Rev. James R. Maples gave the charge to the church; the laying on of hands followed with 22 Northside deacons taking part in this ceremony.

Rev. W. Henry Crouch, pastor, then gave his message, "Men For Christ."

In a special ceremony on October 5, Northside Church received a stained glass window which forms the background for the baptistry in the sanctuary. The window was a gift of Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Smith and placed in the church as a memorial to their only son, Fred Cullen Smith.

Special mechanics are now installing new pews in the sanctuary. The carpet has been ordered and as soon as pews are completed, carpet will be laid.

The associational letter for 1953-54, showed only 25 baptisms for the year. Since October Northside has had 18 Professions of Faith.

Doctrinally Speaking: Freeness Of Salvation

BY DR. W. LANDON MILLER

In olden days a magician by the name of Simon saw the extraordinary power of the Holy Spirit, and offered money to the Apostles, hoping they would sell him the secret. With Simon it seemed just like buying a new magical trick.

He made a serious error, and it took him only a moment to see his mistake for Peter said, "Thy money perish with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money" (Acts 8:20).

Just as the Holy Spirit cannot be purchased, neither can salvation be bought with money. Salvation is a gift from God. It is a free gift (Rom. 5:15-16).

Though salvation is free, it is not cheap. It cost God a tremendous price—the death of His Son—to purchase our redemption.

"Jesus paid it all,
All to him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain,
He washed it white as snow."

God makes this salvation available to sinful man free, on the condition that man accept what God has provided (John 1:12). "And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely" (Rev. 22:17). "Freely" here means "gra-

Congress has been urged to authorize the taking of a religious census in 1956 and to appropriate the necessary funds for the project. The last such census was in 1936.

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Mrs. A. R. Boler of Neshoba, daughter of the late John Smith and Mrs. G. T. Roberts, of Carthage was united in marriage with Reverend J. L. Moore in Jackson on Thursday afternoon, October 21, at 2 o'clock. The single ring ceremony was performed by Rev. S. W. Valentine, pastor of the Southside Church of Jackson, and was assisted by Rev. Troy Prince of Carthage. Rev. and Mrs. Moore will make their home at Singleton.

tis" or "free". The water of life is free.

But God does not force man to accept this free salvation. God not only made salvation free; he also made man free. Man is free to choose—to reject as well as to accept what God has provided.

However, if man does spurn this salvation, he is held responsible. To fail to accept God's extended salvation is to miss life eternal (John 3:36).

How can any person afford to miss heaven when all he has to do is to accept the free salvation God is handing him?

Thanksgiving Donations for Baptist Orphanage Granted Free Transportation By All Railroads

The Railroads as usual are giving Free Transportation for any donated supplies to the BAPTIST ORPHANAGE during THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS SEASON. Any shipments made from November 15th through December 31st will be handled free of charge. MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS, let us take advantage of this wonderful service and show the RAILROAD OFFICIALS just how much this service is appreciated.

The ORPHANAGE FAMILY can use to good advantage any type of food for both animal and human consumption that is used in your home. The ORPHANAGE operates a dairy which supplies sufficient milk for the needs of the children. There is not sufficient farm acreage to supply corn, hay, cottonseed meal, hulls and dairy feed to feed the stock. The Orphanage can use clothing (for children), sheets, towels, bedspreads, soap, toothpaste, tooth-brushes, school supplies, brooms, mops, all kinds of canned fruits, meats and vegetables, flour, lard, baking powder, soda, sugar, salt, rice, syrup, grits, meal. SOME COMMUNITIES CAN FILL A CAR WHILE OTHERS MAY NOT BE ABLE TO DO AS MUCH—BUT CERTAINLY A CARLOAD SHIPMENT FROM EACH COUNTY IS NOT ASKING TOO MUCH.

TRAIN SCHEDULES

GULF TRANSPORT COMPANY:

Load at all points on Wednesday, November 17. Contributions from Calhoun City and Calhoun County may be carried to Houston. These shipments will then be delivered to Jackson, Mississippi, Gulf, Mobile and Ohio R. R.

GULF, MOBILE & OHIO R.R.: (Formerly G. M. & N. R. R.)

Load at all points on Wednesday, November 17, starting from the North at Brownfield and from the South at Sandy Hook; also Evanston, McLain, Lucedale and all points into Laurel.

GULF, MOBILE AND OHIO R. R.: (Formerly M. & O. R. R.)

Start at Corinth, Tuesday, November 16, and work to Meridian; Start at State Line, Tuesday, November 16.

COLUMBUS AND GREENVILLE:

Load Columbus to Winona, and Greenville to Winona, Tuesday, November 16. Shipments will then be picked up and delivered to Jackson by Illinois Central Railroad.

MISSISSIPPI CENTRAL:

Load Hattiesburg to Brookhaven; also Natchez to Brookhaven, Tuesday, November 16. Shipments will be picked up and delivered to Jackson by Illinois Central Railroad.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL SYSTEM: (Including Y. & M. V. and G. & S. I.)

Start at Lakeview, Horn Lake, Holly Springs, Aberdeen, Meridian, Laurel, Gulfport, Osyka, Centerville, and Natchez, on Wednesday, November 17, and work to Jackson.

Any shipments made from November 15th through December 31st will be handled free of charge, but we are asking that all shipments be consolidated and shipped from the point of origin on the date specified if possible. Be sure to have your supplies at the proper shipping point on time. See that all packages are well wrapped or boxed and marked plainly BAPTIST ORPHANAGE, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

Give the Needy Child a Lift...

**The Annual Thanksgiving Offering
Is Your Special Opportunity,**

MAKE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21, A GREAT DAY!

EVERY CHURCH in the STATE CAN AND SHOULD PARTICIPATE

This is not a SPECIAL OFFERING but a Regular OFFERING authorized by the MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION to supplement our gifts made through the Cooperative Program. We trust that our churches will give this matter serious consideration and make a worthy offering that the children already in the HOME may be cared for and others may be cared for who will be seeking admittance. Let all join hearts and hands in this worthy endeavor.

WHEN SHOULD YOU GIVE?

Sunday, November 21st, has been set aside as the day for the Annual Thanksgiving Offering. This is the Sunday just before Thanksgiving Day. If, for some reason this is not the best time for the offering to be made in your Church, select some other Sunday, but be sure to give your people an opportunity to make an offering during the month of NOVEMBER. If you need special offering envelopes for this purpose, write Baptist Orphanage, P.O. Box 97, Jackson, Mississippi, stating the number needed and they will be forwarded to you. Thanksgiving can best be expressed by your giving for others.

WHY SHOULD YOU GIVE?

THE ORPHANAGE needs the THANKSGIVING OFFERING to meet annual expense. The 3% allocation we receive through the Co-operative program amounts to approximately \$35,000, this amounts to only one-third of our cost of operation. Our largest source of income is through the ANNUAL THANKSGIVING OFFERING "Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it." Proverbs 3:27. "Freely ye have received, freely give." Matthew 10:8.

"ONE DAY'S PAY"

Is a way to help you decide what your offering should be. Everybody can figure out how much pay they receive for one day. Uncle Sam has helped all of us, even the farmer, to figure his income for the year. Just one day out of 365 you are given this special privilege of sharing with our BAPTIST ORPHANAGE. One day for you can mean weeks and even months for our Home as Mississippi Baptist bring their offerings and place them together. The Lord loves a cheerful giver who not only tithes but makes an offering—who puts forth a special effort to express his gratitude and thanksgiving for all he has received. Your spirit of saring and heartfelt concern for our boys and girls will be measured by your giving.

WHO SHOULD GIVE?

Every Mississippi Baptist should give to this cause because the Baptist Orphanage serves Mississippi Baptists. Every Baptist should be given an opportunity to make an offering through the Sunday School, the regular preaching service of the Church, not just on Sunday Morning but on Sunday Night as well, through the Missionary Societies and Auxiliaries, also through Brotherhoods and Training Unions. Your Baptist Orphanage is dependent upon MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS for its support.

**Remember the Children of Your Baptist Orphanage With A Liberal Thanksgiving
LOVE OFFERING**